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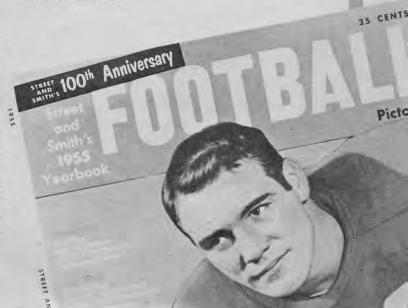
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The first magazine representing this modern conception was Madamoiselle followed by Charm and Living for Young Homemakers, magazines devoted to interest the women of America.

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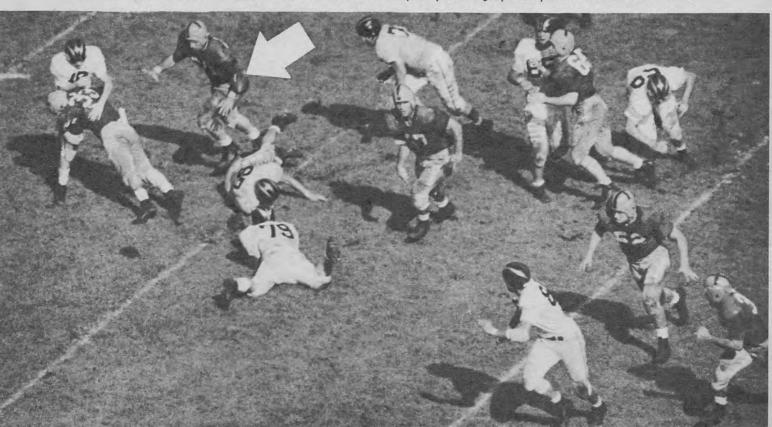


MIKE FALLS (69), Minnesota guard, is picture of frustration as Nebraska's Dan Brown (20) dives for fumble on own four.



HOPALONG CASSADY (left) comes to aid of Dave Leggett and completes juggling act by snaring Michigan pass and lugging ball to 38-yard line to scark Ohio State drive for third touchdown.

LEN DAWSON (left), Purdue passer who topped Big Ten, gets ball (arrow) off as he is tackled by Notre Dame's Dan Shannon (33). Pass was aimed at Boilermaker end Len Zyzda (lower right) in only defeat Irish suffered in '54.





By Tommy Device

Detroit Free Press grid expert Tommy Devine has an intimate knowledge of the football potential in Big 10 and mid-West.

Mid-West

MICHIGAN IN PHOTO WIN OVER BUCKEYES; FINDING QB IRISH PROBLEM

PREDICTIONS

Big Ten

- 1. Michigan
- 2. Ohio State
- 3. Wisconsin
- 4. Iowa
- 5. Purdue
- 6. Minnesota
- 7. Michigan State
- 8. Illinois
- 9. Indiana
- 10. Northwestern

Mid-America

- 1. Miami
- 2. Ohio U.
- 3. Kent State
- 4. Toledo
- 5. Bowling Green
- 6. Marshall
- 7. Western Michigan

Presidents

- 1. Western Reserve
- 2. Wayne
- 3. John Carroll
- 4. Case Tech

Independents

- 1. Notre Dame
- 2. Pittsburgh
- 3. Cincinnati
- J. Chichina
- 4. Marquette
- 5. Dayton
- 6. Xavier
- 7. Youngstown
- 8. Central Michigan
- 9. Butler
- 10. Baldwin-Wallace
- 11. Depauw

Ohio Conference

- 1. Muskingum
- 2. Denison
- 3. Heidelberg
- 4. Ohio Wesleyan
- 5. Wooster
- 6. Akron
- 7. Wittenberg
- 8. Mount Union
- 9. Capital
- 10. Marietta
- 11. Hiram
- 12. Oberlin

A SEASON of surprising form reversals and the accompanying fall of gridiron titans marked play in the Mid-West last season, but through it all the section managed to come up with teams to bolster its age-old claim the nation's best football is played in this section.

The biggest tumbles since "Humpty Dumpty's" fall in Mother Goose's day were taken by Illinois and Michigan State, the co-champions of 1953 who fell deep into the second division of the Big Ten last Fall.

Three Mid-West teams finished in the top ten of the nation's ratings—Ohio State, Notre Dame and Wisconsin. Two others, Michigan and Minnesota, were among the next 10 finishers.

The section's prestige was strengthened additionally when Ohio State beat Southern California 20 to 7 in the rain-splattered Rose Bowl game. It marked the eighth time in the nine seasons of the

"closed door" pact between the Big Ten and the Pacific Coast Conference that the former has been the victor.

The offensive pattern in the Mid-West as elsewhere continues to swing to the Split T.

There's every indication the Big Ten race this season will be closer than a year ago. Michigan and Ohio State's defending champions go into the race as the early favorites, with Wisconsin and Iowa as their chief threats.

Michigan, extremely stout defensively and always a smart, alert unit is given a slight edge on the basis of the steady development of its young talent throughout last season.

There was better than average stability and security in the coaching ranks with only two changes in the major schools. Young Lou Saban replaces popular Bob Voigts at Northwestern and Johnny Michelosen takes over for the ailing Lowell (Red) Dawson at Pittsburgh.

The Mid-West had its full share of great individual performers a year ago who won All-America mentions. The list included Calvin Jones of Iowa, Ralph Guglielmi, Frank Varrichione and Dan Shannon of Notre Dame, Howard Cassady, Dean Dugger and Dick Hilinski of Ohio State, Tom Bettis and Leonard Dawson of Purdue, Art Walker and Ron Kramer of Michigan and Alan Ameche of Wisconsin.

Jones, Iowa's great guard; the brilliant allaround Michigan end, Kramer; the fleet Cassady and aerial ace Dawson are back for another bid at the honor teams. Joining them in shots at the allstar teams will be Don Schaefer of Notre Dame, J. C. Caroline of Illinois, Ted Ringer of Northwestern, Milt Campbell of Indiana and Jim Haluska of Wisconsin.

BIG TEN CONFERENCE

MICHIGAN—A stout defense, alertness and punch in the proper spots enabled Michigan to develop into the surprise team of the Western Conference a year ago. The Wolverines, who were not given much pre-season consideration, finished in a tie for second place. The team had an overall seasonal mark of six victories and three setbacks.

Only twice in the stretch of nine games did Michigan score more than two touchdowns. Those

were in the conference routs of Minnesota (34-0) and Michigan State (33-7). The Wolverines held three of their rivals scoreless and permitted only 87 points to be scored against them during the campaign. Only Army and title-winning Ohio State were able to make more than two touchdowns against their fine defense.

Coach Bennie Oosterbaan has a wealth of veteran material which gives high hopes of Michigan winning the Big Ten crown and gaining a berth in the Rose Bowl. Oosterbaan has 25 lettermen back.

The brightest star of the Wolverine constellation is Ron Kramer, six-foot-three, 220-pound All-America nominee. As a sophomore last season Kramer led the Wolverine scorers with 32 points. He did the team punting, averaging 41.2 yards. Kramer was the top pass receiver with 23 catches good for 303 yards. He caught more passes than the next six Michigan receivers combined. Tom Maentz likely will get the call at the opposite flank. Other returning lettermen available are John Veselenak, Mike Rotunno and Charlie Brooks. The best of the newcomers are Dave Bowers and Gordon Morrow.

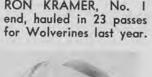
John Morrow and Bill Kolesar, a pair of lettermen, will get the call at tackles, but Oosterbaan is concerned by the lack of depth. Four performers up from the reserves, Clem Corona, Jim Orwig, Jim Davies and Jim Preston, along with sophomores Dave Owen, Charles Jung, Dale Eldred, Martin Carrabine and Floyd Kellstrom will furnish secondary strength.

Captain Ed Meads tops a quartet of veteran guards. Dick Hill will be the starter on the opposite side of the line. The other veterans are Jim Fox and Bob Marion. Marv Nyren, Bill Steinmeyer, Carl Kamhout, Wilbur Brown and Dick Voren-Kamp, up from the reserves, along with sophomores Tom Burger, Alex Bochnowski and John Marchello are other candidates.

Jim Bates, who missed most of last season be-

TONY BRANOFF gives Michigan solid punch at right half in Big 10 bid.

RON KRAMER, No. 1





Rambiesa. The versatile Lou Baldacci, who divided his time last year between quarterback and fullback, likely will get the starting nod as signal caller with Jim Maddock next. Other candidates include holdover Paul Baldwin and sophomore Jim Van Pelt.

cause of injuries, and Gene Snider are battling for

the starting center's job. Also available are vet-

erans Jerry Goebel and John Peckham, along with

sophomores Bill McPhee, Lionel Sigman and Don

Left halfback, a key position in the Michigan Single Wing, was a trouble spot all last season. Lettermen Terry Barr and Tom Hendricks will get first call, but sophomore speedster, Jimmy Pace, is pushing them and may provide the answer to the problem.

Oosterbaan has no worries at right half. The flashy Tony Branoff, out with a knee injury in 1954, is sound again and figures to be the starter. Available also are lettermen Ed Shannon, Ed Hickey, George Corey and Stan Knickerbocker.

Letterman Dave Hill will get the call at fullback with reserves Mike Basford, Don Johnston and Earl Johnson also in contention.

OHIO STATE-Repeating as the champion in the rough and usually well-balanced Big Ten is a difficult task. In the past 15 seasons only two teams have managed to take undisputed titles two years in a row, Minnesota (1940-41) and Michigan (1947-

Now Ohio State will attempt to battle the percentages and join the select list. The Buckeyes rambled through a nine-game schedule undefeated and untied last Fall to take the league crown and then conquered Southern California, 20-7, in the Rose Bowl.

Seven of the brilliant youngsters who started for Ohio in the New Year's Day battle at Pasadena have graduated. The group includes a pair of outstanding ends in Dean Dugger and Dick Brubaker, a fine tackle in Dick Hilinski, top guards in Dave Williams and Jim Reichenbach and excellent backs in Dave Leggett, Johnny Borton and Bobby Wat-

Coach Woody Hayes will feel the loss of each of those stars deeply, but the departure which leaves

ED MEADS, Michigan captain, heads quartet of outstanding guards.

CLEM CORONA, 6-2 and 218, supplies Wolverines with needed tackle depth.







HOWARD CASSADY, Buckeye All-America bidder, tries to shake loose from Purdue tackler near sidelines.

the biggest hole is that of Leggett at quarterback. Vastly under-rated much of the season, Leggett came into his own with a masterful job of direction and ball handling in the Rose Bowl. He meant so much to the Buckeyes last Fall that Hayes used him 476 minutes out of a possible 540.

The only quarterback candidate with any experience is Bill Booth. He played a slim 26 minutes during the past two years. Booth is an excellent ball handler for the Buckeyes' Split T and has shown promise of developing into a good passer. Back of Booth came John Lepley and Frank Ellwood, up from the reserves where he was an end, and sophomore Tom Crawford.

While quarterback is a major headache, Hayes is all smiles in discussion of his starting halfbacks. He'll pit the duo of Howard (Hopalong) Cassady and Jerry Harkrader against any pair in the nation.

Cassady, a prominent All-America choice last season, and Harkrader give the Buckeyes a superlative one-two punch. They have the speed to run wide and the power to drive inside.

Behind Cassady at left half is Lee Williams, who was plagued by injuries most of last year, and rugged Joe Cannavino. Behind Harkrader at right half is the veteran Jim Roseboro, and a pair of sophomores, Ray Beerman and Don Sutherin.

The first string fullback spot will go to Don Vicic, a promising 190-pound sophomore who was Hubert Bob's understudy a year ago. Joe Trivisonno and sophomore Galen Cisco provide depth.

Lettermen Bill Michael and Fred Kriss will be the starting ends with sophomores furnishing the supporting strength. The newcomers who will see service are Leo Brown, Don Neiderhauser, Russ Bowermaster and Charley Zawacki.

There are five lettermen available at the tackles. The starting call likely will go to Dick Guy and Frank Machinsky, with Don Stoeckel, Bob Meyer and Bob Whetstone behind them. Whetstone won a letter in 1953 but was out of school last year. Meyer is back from Army service. Other tackle possibilities are Bill Cummings and sophomore Alex Nagy.



KEN VARGO, Buckeye co-captain, is touted among top Big Ten pivots.

FRANK MACHINSKY heads up powerful tackle brigade for Ohio State U.





JERRY HARKRADER teams with Cassady for Buck KO halfback punch.

Jim Parker, a rugged 250-pounder who played extremely well last season despite a troublesome ankle injury, will be at one guard with either Aurelius Thomas, sidelined last season with injuries, or letterman Dave Weaver opposite him. Other guard nominees are letterman Bill Jabko, John Martin and Dick Ramser.

The strongest point of the line will be at center. Ken Vargo, who suffered a broken arm in the third game of the 1954 season and missed the rest of the regular season, will be the starting pivotman with lettermen Bob Bond and Tom Dillman backing him up.

WISCONSIN—The year before the brilliant Ivan Williamson took over the Wisconsin coaching job the Badgers finished in the Big Ten cellar. They had a season's mark of two triumphs as against seven losses.

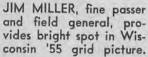
The rejuvenation under Williamson has been amazing. In his six seasons, Wisconsin never has finished lower than fourth. His over-all record is 37 victories as against 14 losses and four ties. The Badgers finished in a tie for second in the Big Ten last year and will be in hot title contention in 1955.

Williamson is one of the nation's finest offensive strategists. He has made use of the Single Wing and the T formation. He'll blend the two this season plus use of a semi-spread.

The Badgers lost their great All-America full-back, Alan (The Horse) Ameche. Naturally, Wisconsin will sacrifice power at the position but it may come up with a backfield which will have greater balance and versatility. There will not be so much dependence on one "big guy."

Wisconsin gave letters to only 23 players last season. Thirteen of that number will be back.







CHARLIETHOMAS steps up as Badger fullback in shoes of great Ameche.

JIM HALUSKA provides two deep Badger power at key quarterback position.



Along with Ameche five other starters, however, have graduated. The Badgers have a fine group of sophomores and if a few of them come through Wisconsin will be mighty rough.

The brightest spot in the Wisconsin picture is at quarterback where two outstanding veterans, Jim Miller and Jim Haluska, are back. Both are excellent signal callers and passers. Two sophomores are back of them, Pat Cvengros and Frank Luksik.

Williamson has back his two starting halfbacks of last season in Pat Levenhagen and Billy Lowe, but finding adequate reserve talent behind them is a major concern. John Bridgeman, an extremely fast back who saw scant service last Fall, and sophomores Jan Jay, Bob Ihling, Dan Lewis and Dave Munger, are the best bets for reserve roles.

To take over for the great Ameche, who gained a record 3,212 yards during his four seasons of play, is Charlie Thomas, his chunky 215-pound understudy. Glenn Bestor, a 204-pounder up from the reserves, and Bill Sorenson, who did not play last season because of an operation, are the other candidates.

Two lettermen, Jim Reinke and Dave Howard, who shared end duties with a pair of graduated stars, will get the starting call at the flanks. John Dunn, Rod Anderson and Dick Kolian up from reserve ranks, and sophomore Tom Peters will provide support.

Williamson doesn't have any worries at tackle. He has four lettermen back to provide experience and depth. The starting call will go to a pair of 215-pounders in John Dittrich and Wells Gray. Martin Booher, who scales 246, and Bill Hertel are the other veterans. Jerry Cvengros, who was ineligible last season, also is in the running.

Bob Konovsky, shifted from tackle, and burly Paul Schwaiko will be the starting guards with Bill Gehler and Steve Ambrose back of them.

Bill McNamara, who was a second stringer a year ago, moves up to the starting center's berth. Jim Grosklaus, a 250-pounder who missed last season because of injuries, and Art Bloedron, a fine sophomore prospect, are next in line.

IOWA—Daring and enterprise are two attributes which have helped boost Forest Evashevski into one of the nation's most successful young coaches. Evashevski is planning to pull another novel move this Fall to get maximum efficiency from his squad. The Hawkeyes will employ both the Split T and the Single Wing as their offensive pattern and Evashevski will have separate teams to operate the systems. He is planning to use the units interchangeably to give him offensive depth.

Iowa has 17 lettermen returning plus one monogram winner of 1953 who missed action because of injuries. The Hawkeyes finished with four triumphs and three losses in Big Ten play. The defeats were by margins of one point to Michigan, two points to Minnesota and six points to Ohio State. The four league triumphs marked the first time since 1939 Iowa had won that many in conference play.

The Hawkeyes major assets this Fall are a group of fine linemen led by All-America captain Calvin Jones; experienced quarterbacks and overall fine backfield speed. The big problems are a need for development of top-flight offensive ends, a weakness at center and lack of depth at fullback.

The starting Split T team likely will have lettermen Frank Gilliam and Jim Freeman at ends. Gilliam was a dangerous receiver last year with 15 catches good for 223 yards, but Freeman snagged only four for 47 yards. Alex Karras, a 245-pound sophomore, and veteran Rodger Swedberg are slated for the tackle spots, with Captain Jones, a 220-pounder who was on virtually every major honor team last season and letterman George Kress at guards. Sophomore Bill Van Buren, a 215-pounder, is the choice at center.

In the backfield of this unit will be the veteran Jerry Reichow at quarter; fleet Earl Smith or sophomore Del Kloewer at left half; veteran Eddie Vincent at right half and Marion Walker, a junior who failed to win a letter last Fall, at fullback.

Reichow is a stout runner and talented passer who operates the Split T well. Running the option play mainly last season he picked up 327 yards on 99 tries and connected on 34 passes in 73 tries for 386 yards. Vincent and Smith provided the one-two punch, with the former picking up 618 yards on 95 tries and Smith picking up 385 yards on 54 attempts. Walker carried the ball only once.

The Single Wing team will have Jim Dick, a junior who failed to win a letter last season, and Frank Rigney, a 220-pound sophomore, at ends; sophomore Frank Bloomquist and letterman Bill Reichow at tackles; letterman Dick Deasy and sophomore Don Bowen at guards and senior letterman Norman Six at center.

The backs on this team will be letterman Don

Dobrino, who was Reichow's understudy last season, or Duane Tofson, a senior who failed to win a letter, at quarterback; lettermen Ken Ploen at left half, sophomore Collins Hagler at right half and veteran Roger Wiegmann at fullback.

Dobrino completed 10 out of 21 passes last season for 224 yards. Ploen is moving to halfback from quarterback. Wiegmann is counted upon to do the punting for this unit, while Freeman will drop back from the flank to handle it for the Split T team.

PURDUE—Take one of the nation's outstanding forward passers, support him with four veteran ends and provide an adequate running attack to go with the air arm and you have a team which can cause plenty of trouble.

That's the situation at Purdue where Coach Stu Holcomb's team isn't considered a likely title winner, but possesses enough talent to be consistently dangerous.

The key figure in the Boilermaker plans is Lenny Dawson, the six-foot, 178-pound quarterback who is one of collegiate football's finest passers. As a sophomore last season Dawson broke into the starting lineup immediately and then went on to win All-Conference honors.

Dawson was the Big Ten's leader in passing and in total offense. The youngster completed 63 out of 122 attempts in six league games for 1,019 yards. For the complete campaign he led the nation's aerialists in touchdown passes with 15.

Dawson's support at quarterback will be provided by two players up from reserve ranks, Ted Krzeczowski and Stan Eaton. The top sophomore prospects are Douglas Streff and Gus Patsy.

In the starting backfield with Dawson will be veteran Jim Whitmer at left half, with newcomers Tom Fletcher, Kenneth Mikes and Bernard Haag pushing him. Bill Jennings, up from the reserves, will get the nod at right half, with lettermen Jim Peters and Ed Neves and sophomores Erich Barnes and Randall Barrett also in contention.

Bill Murakowski, a 204-pounder with fine speed and drive, has clinched the starting fullback berth. Tom Crowl, up from the reserves, and sophomores Mel Dillard, David Kurtz and 210-pounder Stan Orlikowski also will see service.

The strongest spot on the line is at the ends where Holcomb has four lettermen back plus a group of promising sophomores. The top performer is Lamar Lundy, six-foot-six and the favorite target for Dawson's passes. The other veterans are

JERRY REICHOW, clever Split T operator, makes daring lowa attack hum. FRANK GILLIAM, lowa end, snared aerials for 223 yards last season.





Bob Khoenle, Bob Springer and Leonard Zyzda. The best of the sophomore flankmen are Mercer Vicens, Don Burger and Tom Aykroid. Holcomb also can call on a quartet up from reserve ranks in Steve Chernicky, Don Whitmer, Bob Bergmann and Gene Sheehy.

The Boilermakers will be rugged at tackle with Joe Krupa, a 237-pound senior who played 421 minutes out of a possible 540 last season, and 230-pound Dick Murley as starters. Kenneth Panfil, a six-foot-six, 244-pounder who was outstanding on Purdue's Big Ten runner-up team in 1951 and the 1952 co-championship squad, is back after a service hitch. Other good tackle candidates include Frank Paparazzo, a letterman; Ed Voytek, Jim Cahoon, Dominic Picco and Terry Rose. The top sophomores are Frank Hoffman and Gene Selawski.

The big problem of the line is at the guards and center. Dick Skibinski is the lone holdover letterman at guard and he will get a starting call. Don Jackson, who won letters in 1949 and 1950, is back from service and is battling Bob Clasey for the other starting post. Help also will come from Fred Miller, Jim Shea and Joe Stepanek, up from the reserves, and sophomores James Farquis, Ron Biletnikoff and Ed Bannan.

John Simerson, the only holdover letterman, and sophomore Neil Habig are in a battle for the first string center job. Others in contention are Dale Snelling and Don Fife, up from reserves, and sophomore John Jardine.

MINNESOTA—The forecasts were for an extremely poor season at Minnesota a year ago when Murray Warmath made his debut as the Gophers' head coach. His personnel problems were numerous and the installation of a new system posed additional difficulties.

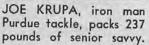
CALVIN JONES, 220-pound lowa captain, earned recognition at guard on practically all '54 honor teams and heads fine Hawkeye line for this campaign.





LEN DAWSON, Purdue quarterback, is one of nation's top aerial artists. He tossed 15 scorers as soph in '54.







LAMAR LUNDY, 6-6 end, is favorite target for Dawson's aerial thrusts.

-Warmath surprised even his most optimistic followers, however, by guiding Minnesota to a great season during which it won seven and lost two. The team finished fourth in the Big Ten.

In his first season Warmath proved himself masterful in evaluating his talent and juggling players from position to position. He'll be called upon to exert more of that same wizardry this Fall. Seventeen lettermen who carried a heavy part of the burden last year departed through graduation. Fifteen monogram winners are returning.

Minnesota's heaviest losses were in the backfield where the brilliant Bob McNamara, the team's offensive leader, headed a list of outgoing stars. Of the returning veterans only four held regular starting berths last season.

Warmath must begin the reconstruction of his backfield by finding a talented quarterback. There isn't a letterman available. Ron Gohde, up from the reserves, and top sophomores, Dick Larson and Norman Anderson, are battling for the starting call. Anderson may get the nod. He boasts excellent speed and was a State high school sprint champion.

Two lettermen Bill Garner and Dick (Pinky) McNamara are back at left halfback and will see service along with a pair of promising sophomores. Ken Bombardier and Dave Lindblom.

Darrell (Shorty) Cochran is the only veteran available at right half. He will duel sophomores Dick Blakley, a highly touted 190-pounder, and Bill Chorske for the first string job.

There's good talent available at fullback in the veterans Frank Bachman and Kenneth Yackel along with sophs Lyle Hubbard and Dick Borstad.

Tom Juhl and Franz Koeneke, a pair of lettermen, will be starting ends, with sophomores Bud Hamilton, Jon Jelacic, and 215-pounder Bob Schmidt pushing them.

The veteran Bob Hobert will start at right tackle with 205-pound sophomore Frank Youso back of him. The left tackle job is up for grabs. Letterman Erle Ukkelberg and sophomores Norman Sixta, a burly 240-pounder, and Gary Paul, who scales 230, are in contention for it.

The Gophers are better set at the guard posts than any other place on the line. There are four lettermen returning in Elden Dahl, Michael Falls, Robert Hagemeister and Dick Kubes. To support them are a pair of promising sophomores in Monte Miller and Bob Rasmussen.

The veteran Dean Maas has clinched the starting assignment at center. He'll get support from Gerald Hassett, a 200-pound sophomore.

Warmath has 19 sophomores who figure prominently in his plans. The rapidity with which they develop will govern the Gophers' chances.

MICHIGAN STATE—After sharing the Big Ten championship and winning the Rose Bowl in 1953, Michigan State went on a gridiron toboggan ride. The Spartans won only one Conference game and finished in a tie for eighth place.

Young Hugh (Duffy) Daugherty, who stepped into the hot spot after Clarence (Biggie) Munn was elevated to the athletic directorship, had a rough baptism as head coach when his team won three games while losing six. It was Michigan State's poorest record since 1917.

Daugherty's hopes for getting Michigan State on the road back to winning ways center around 18 lettermen. The squad will have excellent speed, a trade mark of the Spartans in recent seasons, and some excellent newcomers. The big question marks are the lack of experience and size and a passing attack of questionable merit.

The optimism Daugherty generates stems principally from the fact the Spartans were thoroughly outclassed in only one of their Big Ten games last season. That was the 33 to 7 defeat at the hands of Michigan. In the other league games two losses were by a margin of a touchdown, another was by four points and the other by two touchdowns.

Michigan State again will use a combination of the Single Wing and Split T offenses.

To direct the team, lettermen Earl Morrall and Pat Wilson are back, with sophomore Jim Ninowski back of them. Morrall turned in several excellent performances as a sophomore in 1953, but was disappointing last season. He completed 39 out of 99 passes for 795 yards. Wilson hit on 10 of 24 tosses for 117 yards.

Clarence Peaks, the leading ground-gainer a year ago with 321 yards on 45 attempts, will be starting left half. Gerry Musetti, switched from quarterback, and sophomores Glenn Burgett and Bob Handloser are behind him.

The right half job will go to stocky Lou Constanzo, a letterman, with Walt Kowolcyzk, a burly 200-pound sophomore, and holdover Travis Buggs in reserve. Gerry Planutis, a fine all-around performer, will be at fullback with Gary Lowe, shifted





BOB HOBERT, six feet and 236 pounds, mans Minnesota right tackle.

DEAN MAAS, veteran center, stands 6-3 at pivot of Gopher line.



from right half, and Rudy Gaddini, up from the reserves, in support.

John Lewis, a six-foot-four, 210-pounder who has tremendous potential as a receiver, will be at left end, with Tom Saidock, a returning serviceman, and Lacey Bernard, up from the reserves, behind him. The other end will be fleet Jim Hinesly, with sophomore Dave Kaiser, a 200-pounder who was shifted from fullback, and Noel Bufe, up from the reserves, in supporting roles.

Don Cutler, a member of the 1952 team who is back from service, and Embry Robinson, a letterman last year, are battling for the left tackle post with Hal Pendley, up from reserves, next in line. Carl Diener, a burly 220-pounder who is playing his third season, will be at right tackle with Leo Haidys, a reserve last season, and sophomore Dan Currie pushing him.

Captain Buck Nystrom and Norm Masters, both of whom are playing their third seasons, will be starting guards, with lettermen Dale Hollern and Alvin Lee, sophomore Andrew Aljian and Joe Carruthers, up from reserves, in contention.

The veterans Joe Badaczewski and John Matsko are the top center candidates with Dave Goodell, up from reserves, behind them.

ILLINOIS—For the first time since Ray Eliot took over the Illinois head coaching job in 1942 his team failed to win a Big Ten game last season. The Illini finished with the poorest record in Eliot's 13-year tenure when they had one victory (over Syracuse 34-6) as against eight losses. The record was all the more shocking as Illinois had been the conference co-champion the previous year and was the unanimous choice to take the crown.

The collapse of Illinois stemmed primarily from startling weaknesses along the line of both an offensive and defensive nature. The Illini still had a bevy of brilliant backs but they couldn't operate effectively without help up front.

Rebuilding a line and coming up with ends and tackles, in particular, who measure up to Big Ten standards is Eliot's major problem.

Four lettermen are back to provide some experience and depth at ends. They are Dean Renn and Bob DesEnfants, who will get starting calls, and Herb Badal and Charles Butler. Sophomores Rod Hanson and Jim Renwick also are counted upon.

The tackle situation is a much bigger problem. Only two lettermen are back in Rudy Siegert and Floyd McAfee. Siegert is expected to win one starting berth with the other going to sophomore Paul Adams. Sophomores Joe Belephant and Pete Fiorito are behind them.

Eliot has shifted two veterans, Bob Baietto and Percy Oliver from tackle to guard in an attempt to plug those gaps. Another letterman, George Walsh and three performers up from reserve ranks, Bob Wood, Ralph Nelson and David Walker also are in contention.

There isn't a veteran available for center and the need for a pivotman who also will prove a top line-backer on defense is pressing. The first shot at the job likely will go to sophomore Bill Billings, with two performers up from the reserves, Jim Minor and Mike Guinan, next in line.

Illinois had erratic quarterbacking last season. Eliot is counting upon vast improvement from two lettermen, Hiles Stout and Em Lindbeck, and a good sophomore prospect, Ray Nitsche. Stout, who gives promise of being an outstanding passer, is

EARL MORRALL directs Spartan attack on tough climb back to Big 10 peak. GERRY PLANUTIS, Michigan State fullback, fakes field goal attempt against Purdue as John Matsko picks up ball and cuts for end zone. Spartan was brought down on 3-yard line, however, and State subsequently lost ball on downs.





6' 4" and packs 210 pounds. He will be first choice. J. C. Caroline, the brilliant youngster who was everybody's All-America as a sophomore in 1953, was a consistently fine player again last season. Yet, because Illinois fortunes slumped he got slight recognition. With adequate blocking support Caroline should rocket back into the spotlight this Fall. Back of him at left half will be Abe Woodson, another fine runner, and sophomore Bob McKown.

The other halfback berth will go to Mickey Bates, a star in 1953 who wasn't up to par last season when switched to fullback. Bates will be relieved of the line-backing chores he had to perform last season and that is expected to increase his offensive efficiency. Harry Jefferson, another speedster, and sophomore Bob Mitchell will be in supporting roles.

Three sophomores are battling for the fullback job. First call likely will go to Joe Gorman, with Jack Gordy and Paul Beeson next.

Illinois basically will be a young team that should improve as the season progresses. While not a probable contender, the Illini may pull an upset or two that could have vital bearing on the race.

INDIANA—A perennial gridiron problem at Indiana has been squad depth. The Hoosiers frequently have had a first string unit which was capable of matching most of its conferences rivals, but seldom have they been able to come up with replacements equal in talent to those of top Big Ten teams.

This "thinnesss" has cost Indiana dearly frequently when injuries to a key player or two have wrecked its efficiency. Coach Bernie Crimmins, beginning his fourth season with the Hoosiers, feels that shortcoming may be wiped out. Indiana has a greater level of experience and more depth than in any recent years.

Indiana finished seventh when it won three games and lost six. Four of the six losses were by one touchdown, an indication that if the Hoosiers had possessed a little greater overall strength the balance might have been tipped in their favor. Indiana's most notable victory was a 13 to 9 conquest of Michigan.

With one major exception the picture is brighter than a year ago. The exception is at quarterback where the brilliant Florian Helinski graduated. Helinski did so many things well that Crimmins was forced to keep him in the game the majority of the time and so had little chance to develop a replacement. The signal calling spot will go to Chick Cichowski, who showed well in the limited opportunities he had. Another letterman, Tommy Cassidy and newcomer Chester McKenzie back him up.

The veteran Jim Stone will start at left half with sophomore Barry Johnson and Bill Takacs pushing him. The right half berth will go to Milt Campbell, the burly youngster who gained fame as the 1952 Olympic Games decathlon runner-up. Campbell never had a chance to show his full prowess last season as he was plagued by a leg injury. Letterman George Bell and Bill Noone will be in supporting roles.



MILT CAMPBELL of Olympic fame is right half on Indiana eleven.

BRAD BOMBA, Hoosier wing, is part of line composed of letter winners.





CHICK CICHOWSKI is slated to take over signal calling for Hoosiers.

Rugged John Bartkiewicz and John Crowe, who have been stout performers for the past two seasons, are the top fullbacks with Charley Rogers in reserve.

Crimmins will start a first team line composed entirely of lettermen. The unit will have Pat Fellinger and Brad Bomba at ends; Ron Rauchmiller and Bob Skoronski at tackles; Tommy Hall and Ted Karras at guards and Joe Amstutz at center.

Backing up this line will be another forward wall composed of five lettermen and two newcomers. On this unit will be Bob Free and Joe Maglish at ends; Ted Ross and Bob Sobczak at tackles; Mert Hoagland and Charles Leo at guards and Ed Wietecha at center. Only Ross and Hoagland are not letter winners.

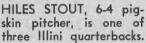
Another line combination will be composed chiefly of sophomore talent. This will have Don Donomo and Delnor Gales at ends; Lou Golic and Joe Checkley at tackles; John Gentile and Tom Cousineau at guards and Ernie Ferrario at center.

In addition to the sophomores on this "three deep," Crimmins hopes to get some help from Tom Campbell, a brother of Milt, who is a halfback also; and tackles Russ Burns and Dan Holland.

NORTHWESTERN—When you put your hopes on sophomores in a rugged conference like the Big Ten you take one of football's biggest gambles, but Lou Saban will do it this Fall. Saban succeeds popular Bob Voigts as the Wildcats attempt to bounce back from a disastrous campaign. Northwestern won only two games while losing seven. One of the losses was by a point and four others by a single touchdown.

Indicative of how prominently newcomers figure in the 33-year-old Saban's plans is the fact there







DEAN RENN is one of four letter-winning ends available for Illini duty.

J. C. CAROLINE is due to rocket back with adequate Illinois blocking.



are 58 sophomores on the squad. Northwestern had one of its finest freshmen teams in history last Fall, but whether the products of it can jump right into rugged conference competition and hold their own is something else.

To give his squad balance Saban will have 21 lettermen returning. Only three of that number were regulars last Fall, however. Saban will not waste any time in seeing how his sophomores measure up. He has 14 of them scattered through the lineup of his first three teams.

Excellent direction and improved passing are two factors Saban is counting upon to lead to improved performances. He has four lettermen back to battle for the quarterback spot. The top bidders are Dale Pienta and Jack Ellis, both of whom saw considerable service as sophomores. Pienta completed 25 out of 62 passes for 394 yards and Ellis connected on eight of 18 tries before a knee injury sidelined him. The other veteran signal callers are John Rearden and Ed Broeker.

The running attack will be built around letterman Jim Troglio at left half. Troglio is a hard driving back, but lacks breakway speed. He averaged 4.5 yards per try and compiled a 43 yard average while handling the punting duties. Holdover Bob King and sophomore Ollie Lindborg will furnish reserve strength.

Two lettermen and a sophomore are in contention for the right half position with veteran George Gondek having the call over Frank Jeske and newcomer Doyne Glassburn.

The veterans Wayne Glassman and John Foster are vying with Ben Napolski, a 214-pound sophomore, for the fullback spot.

Northwestern had a stout defensive line last season and a strong nucleus returns around which Saban can build the forward wall. The top man on the line may be Ted Ringer, a strong candidate for All-Conference honors at center. Sophomores Roger Windey and John Keating and Jerry Carley, up from reserves, also are in contention.

A pair of ex-Marines who now are sophomores, 215-pounder John Eldridge and 200-pounder Al Viola, who starred on the 1953 Quantico Marines team that was the runner-up for the All-Service championship, are top guard nominees. Lettermen Tom Williams and John Lohbauer and sophomores Bruce Bielinski and Norb Pasko also are in contention.

The starting tackle berths likely will go to lettermen captain Sanford Sacks and John Smith, with another veteran, Stan Dwyer, and sophomores Bob Kelly, Bucky Evashavik, Norm Siratovich and Dick Erickson the other bidders.

Three veterans, Fred Duhart, Bob Morman and Fred Nosal, and a trio of sophomores, Cliff Peart, 215-pound Don Michalek and Ted Hysell are battling for end jobs. Morman and Nosal probably will get first call. Another possibility is Jack Stillwell, who starred as a sophomore last season, if he can straighten out scholastic difficulties which caused him to miss Spring drills.



TED RINGER, Wildcat center, looms as standout on strong defensive line.



SANFORD SACKS, tackle, captains strongly soph Northwestern grid array.

JIM TROGLIO, vet Northwestern left half, will again handle running and punting chores for Purple.



INDEPENDENTS

NOTRE DAME—A year ago personable, 26-yearold Terry Brennan took over the toughest job ever handed a first year college coach. He was given the reins at Notre Dame as successor to the great Frank Leahy.

Brennan exceeded all expectations when he directed the Irish to nine victories as against only one loss (to Purdue, 27-14). From that squad 18 lettermen have been lost. The departing stars include four ends, four tackles, two guards, two centers, four quarterbacks and two halfbacks.

The Irish will have back 17 lettermen. While Brennan is the rare coach who is constantly optimistic, other Irish officials see dark days ahead. They concede, however, that their appraisal isn't likely to be accepted as the doleful Leahy cried "wolf" so often it is hard to make anyone believe they actually could come upon lean gridiron days.

Indicative of the quality of talent Notre Dame lost is the fact three of its stars were first round professional draft choices of National Football League teams. They were quarterback Ralph Guglielmi, tackle Frank Varrichione and halfback Joe Heap.

Brennan's toughest job is to come up with a quarterback to take the place of the All-America Guglielmi. The problem is complicated by the fact his understudy, Tom Carey, also is gone. The call will go to Paul Hornung, a 190-pound senior who is being shifted from fullback. Larry Cooke, up from the reserves, and sophomores Carl Hebert and Frank Leahy Jr., son of the former coach, also are possibilities. Young Leahy is a good punter and place-kicker.

DON SCHAFFER, Irish PAUL HORNUNG shifts fullback, ranks as solid from fullback to call man in '55 ND backfield. plays for Notre Dame.





Five lettermen are available for halfback berths. Jimmy Morse, who won a regular berth as a sophomore last season, and Paul Reynolds probably will get starting calls. Reynolds is an excellent defensive man, but has been bothered throughout his career by knee injuries.

Dick Fitzpatrick, a senior who also has been handicapped by bad knees, and Sherrill Sipes and Dean Studer are other veterans. Other halfback candidates include Frank Pinn, up from reserves, and sophomore Aubrey Lewis, a powerful jet propelled speedster.

The solid man of the Irish backfield plans is Don Schaefer at fullback. Support for him will come from Dick Wilkins, a 185-pound sophomore.

Two lettermen, Dick Kapish and Bob Scannell, are slated to be starting ends, with Dick Prendergast and Bob Witucki as best of the newcomers.

Wayne Edmonds, George Nicula and Gene Martell are veteran tackles back for another season's
play. Backing them up will be Byron Beams and
Joe Bosse, up from reserve ranks. There isn't a top
tackle prospect among the sophomores.

Captain Ray Lemek was injured in the semi-final game of last season against Southern California. He underwent an operation on his knee and how successful it was can't be determined until he puts it to a game test. Veteran Pat Bisceglia will get the call at the other guard. Nick Raich, switched from fullback, and sophomore Al Francis, a 210-pounder, will be in reserve.

Jim Mense, who handled the starting center assignment late last season after Dick Szymanski was injured, is back. Lou Loncaric, another letterman, and sophomore Ed Sullivan are other leading pivot candidates.

PITTSBURGH—This will be a year of gridiron experiments at Pittsburgh. The Panthers have one of their former playing greats, Johnny Michelosen, as their new head coach in place of Lowell (Red) Dawson, who retired because of illness.

The first big experiment will be Michelosen's offense. Long a Single Wing advocate, the new Pitt mentor will use the Split T but will provide it with some technical innovations that incorporate some of his favorite Single Wing fundamentals. The big difference from the accepted Split T principles will be in the blocking.

JIM MENSE, who saw duty late in '54, resumes as pivot in Irish line.

GENE MARTELL, vet tackle, is one of Coach Brennan's 17 lettermen.





Pitt had moments of greatness last fall when it was capable of giving any team in the nation a stout battle. But it couldn't maintain peak performances through a rugged schedule and its subpar, disappointing games were as frequent as its good efforts. The Panthers' most notable victory was a 21 to 19 conquest of Navy.

Cornelius Salvaterra, who was shifted to quarter-back mid-way through the 1954 campaign and showed flashes of brilliance, holds the key to make Michelosen's new offensive pattern work. He is an exceptionally fine runner, a necessity for the option play of the Split T, and may develop into a good passer. Back of him are letterman Darrell Lewis and Jim Lenhart, up from reserves.

Veteran Corky Cost has won the left half job with Jim Theodore and Dick Bowen also available. Three lettermen are battling for right halfback, Amby Bagamery, Nick Passodelis and Lou Cimarolli. Two experienced fullbacks are available in Bob Grier and Tommy Jenkins, with Ralph Jelic, a transfer, and Ralph Ciper, up from reserves in supporting roles.

Michelosen is confident his line will be tough defensively and will possess plenty of sheer power on offense. He is concerned, however, that its offensive blocking may not meet his high standard.

The Panthers will lack top offensive ends. The starting berths are expected to go to a pair of 215-pound lettermen in Joe Walton and John Paluck. Letterman Fred Glatz and three flankers up from the reserve squad, Bob Rosborough, Joe Mazur and Dale Brown are back of them.

Two lettermen, 215-pound Bob Pollack and Herman Canil will get first call at tackles with Ron Kissel and Jim McCusker, products of the fresh-

CORNY SALVATERRA, a fine runner, holds key to Pittsburgh Split T attack as field general of eleven.





CORKY COST, 170-pound Pittsburgh halfback who packs breakaway threat behind powerful offensive line.

man squad of last Fall, letterman Howard Linn and Don Agafon, up from reserves, also in contention.

Co-captain Chuck Hunter and veteran Al Bolkovac get the starting berths at guard, with Vince Scorsone and Dan Wisniewski, up from reserves, letterman Bill Schmitt and sophomore John Guzik back of them.

Co-captain John Cenci, shifted from guard, will be first string center, with letterman Ed Bose and Charles Brueckman, up from reserves, in supporting roles.

CINCINNATI—It is a tough spot into which George Blackburn is stepping as head coach at the University of Cincinnati. He succeeded Sid Gillman, when the latter departed to take over direction of the Los Angeles Rams of the NFL. In six years, Gillman put the Bearcats into the national spotlight as his team won 50 games, lost 13 and tied one. They won eight while losing two last season.

Blackburn isn't coming into the job completely "cold" however. While he served last season as backfield coach at Army under Col. Earl (Red) Blaik, Blackburn had been Gillman's top aide here for five previous seasons and so knows the situation and much of the personnel.

Blackburn faces a major rebuilding job, however. The squad of 61 gridders with which he is working includes 32 sophomores, 23 juniors and only six seniors. There are 14 lettermen as a nucleus.

Cincinnati's chief strength centers around a veteran backfield. Mike Murphy, who has been regular quarterback for the past two seasons, is back for another campaign. Murphy completed 51 out of 101 passes last season for 764 yards. Backing him up will be holdovers Rudy Comchoc and Bill Wil-



MIKE MURPHY, who completed 51 of 101 passes, is back for 3rd year as Cincinnati quarterback.

liams and Tad Schroeder, up from the freshman team.

Letterman Jim Niemann and Jackie Gordon, a returning serviceman, figure to get starting jobs at halfback. Backing them up will be Harry Andreadis and Jim Hoffman, two other returning servicemen; holdover George Ruth and sophomores Barry Maroney and Tom Smolanovich.

Captain Joe Miller, who topped the ground-gainers last season with 717 yards on 128 carries, will be at fullback again. Letterman Bob Mosketti and two promising sophomores, Gene Wisniewski and Steve Woitovich, will be in reserve.

The starting end berths will go to lettermen Don Presley and Gary Mortemore, with holdover Ferd Maccioli, who has been hampered by injuries, and Mickey Del Fine, a letterman who is back in school after a year's absence, in reserve. Mary Merritt and Gordon Greene, who shared the first string left tackle berth a year ago, are battling newcomer Jim Morsillo, for that spot. Terry Boyle, a returning serviceman, will get the call on the opposite side of the line with holdover Don Whipple and sophomore Ron Conkel in reserve. Veteran Gene McCann and sophomore Keith Quail will be the guards, with holdover Norm Aukerman and Sig Lawson, a converted tackle, supporting them. Gus Del Rosa, switched from guard, is the likely center with sophomore Dick Stein back of him.

MARQUETTE—A bad touch of "senioritis" was a contributing factor to a disappointing season for Marquette a year ago when the team won three games, lost five and tied one.

Coach Frosty Ferzacca, beginning his second season, feels the prospects for a winning year are bright. He has 17 lettermen plus some outstanding sophomore talent.

Ferzacca has made a number of personnel switches in an effort to come up with a combination which suits him. The principal changes were moving fullback Dave Donarski to guard; switching sophomore Jim Surane from halfback to fullback; sophomores Jim Steel from end to halfback; Dom Cuccinello from end to tackle and Don Walsch from guard to tackle.

The best looking sophomore candidate on the squad is Dick Campbell, a 211-pound center. He is considered one of the most promising linemen in



JOE MILLER, who gained 717 yards in '54, will captain Cincinnati from fullback slot this season.

Marquette history. Campbell likely will get the starting call over letterman Jim Lumber with Duane Brandstatter in reserve.

The shifted Donarski and letterman Bill Clancy will be starting guards, with letterman Pat O'Shea and Bill Patch, up from reserves, also in contention.

Two seniors playing their fourth season get the nod at tackles in John Linnemanstons and John Madden. The shifted sophomores Cuccinello and Walsch are behind them, with lettermen John Kampine and sophomore Dick Maierle in support.

George Brehm, who missed last season because of a broken leg, is back to play one end with veteran Art Katula on the other flank. Lettermen Howard Wandrey, Tom Kuesel and sophomore Jim Stracka also will see service.

The starting call at quarterback is expected to go to Jere Carmody, a 172-pound junior. Dick Shockey, who had been expected to return, has been forced to give up football because of a shoulder injury. Sophomores Pat Gallagher and John Hauser are back of Carmody.

The first string halfback jobs will go to Lee Hermsen, who picked up 282 yards on 44 carries last season, and Ray Zagar, who gained 159 yards in 60 tries. Sophomore Jim Heid and Terry Ward, up from reserves, are back of Hermsen. Zagar's relief will come from letterman Fred Connally and sophomore Jim Steel.

The veteran Bob Girman, who gained 172 yards in 51 carries last season, will be the first string full-back with sophomores Alonzo Robinson and Jim Surane in supporting roles.

DAYTON—A vastly improved squad and a much tougher schedule, that's the situation Hugh Devore faces as he starts his second season as head coach. Devore was off to a rocky start last year when the

Flyers lost their first three games, but then they hit stride and won five of the final seven.

Devore lost only six experienced players and will have a solid nucleus of 21 lettermen.

The returning stars are topped by Jim Katcavage, co-captain and left end; left guard Jerry Ward and halfback Billy Smith. Devore calls the 204-pound Katcavage one of the finest ends he's coached in his 21 years in the profession. Ward is a rugged 220-pounder who is an excellent blocker on offense and a fine defensive performer. He also handles the team's extra point kicking and converted 11 out of 13 last season. Smith is a 164pounder who averaged 5.1 yards per carry.

The end opposite Katcavage will go to Johnny Kozlevchar, a letterman, with holdovers Paul Dacey and Steve Bosway, and newcomers Jim Corbett and Tom Curtin in reserve. Co-captain Jack Muldowney, a 215-pounder, and Jim Grogan will be starting tackles, with letterman Al Weckle and sophomores Ike Chaney, back after two years in the Army, and Bob Sakal backing them up. Ward's running mate at guard will be Roger Towle, who was handicapped last season by an ankle injury. Supporting them will be holdovers George Veneziale and Jerry Callahan and sophomores Al Shanen and Adam Klys. Jim Ducato, a regular for two years, is back at center with letterman Don Chontos and sophomores Ron Finotti and Dino Gournaris in reserve.

Kenny Bockenstette, a talented junior who had given up football because of a heavy academic schedule and outside work load, came back to fill an emergency call last Fall. He performed in exceptional fashion and is counted upon for another good season. He completed 53 of 109 passes for 649 vards. Seven of his tosses were good for touchdowns and he scored five himself. Holdovers George Schmidt and Jim Turvene and sophomore Don Zimmerman back him up.

DON CHONTOS, Dayton center, and guard George Veneziale stop Louisville's Tom Caras. JIM KATCAVAGE, Dayton end, hits John Carroll fullback Mike Torrelli as Al Weckle (77), 222-pound tackle, heads for play with Flyers' Jim Shafor

and Johnny Grogan (71) in reserve.



At halfback with Smith will be Johnny Bettinger, a senior who averaged 4.7 yards per try last season. Lettermen Don Weeks, Chuck Muzio and Jim De-Fabio also are in contention. The veterans Bernie Burke, Jerry Bush and Vic Kristopaitis are battling for the starting fullback berth.

XAVIER (Ohio) -A new coach and a wealth of veteran material give Xavier hopes of beginning a march along the comeback trail. The team won only two games while losing eight last season. Ed Kluska, who had directed Xavier for eight seasons, resigned and was succeeded by Harry (Mike) Connolly, who had been an assistant at Indiana.

Connolly will have 20 lettermen and three monogram winners of 1953 on the squad of 55 gridders.

The line will be built around co-captain Frank Sweeney, a 213-pound tackle; his running mate, 224-pound Denny Davis, and Phil Magliano, at a guard. Other veterans available for the forward wall include Jack Dawson, Don Turney, Dave Wagner, Roger Lammers and Ray Olliges at ends; Bill Ferrier and Bob Sturgeon at tackles; John McGinn, Jack Ruppert, Jim Schwartz, Vince Sodd and Bob Toth at guards; and Frank Bachman and Bob Monahan at center.

Co-captain Don St. John, the team's leading scorer and ground-gainer last season, tops the backfield candidates. St. John scored 39 points and gained 477 yards. He'll be at fullback. The quarterback will be Norm Zymslinski, a fine operator of the Split T who can pass, run and kick. Backing him up will be Jim Brockhoff, a letterman who completed 24 out of 73 passes last year for 340 yards. The halfbacks will be Bob Konkoly, who averaged 5.1 yards on 90 carries, and Fritz Bolte, who averaged 6.3 yards per try on 25 attempts. Other veteran backs who will see service include Bill McCloskey, Don Chura, Charlie O'Leary and Dave Josephic.

> KENNY BOCKENSTETTE, Flyer quarterback, takes off during 20-12 upset win over Miami U.







BOB KONKOLY, Xavier back, gives piggy-back to Dayton's Bernie Burke.



FRANK SWEENEY, 213, bulwarks Xavier line as team co-captain, tackle.

YOUNGSTOWN (Ohio)—Coach D. V. (Dike) Beede holds the distinction of being the only football coach Youngstown College ever has had. When the school inaugurated the sport in 1938, Beede was named to direct gridiron affairs and he's been at it ever since. He has piloted the team to 102 victories as against 82 losses. Last year Youngstown won seven and lost two.

Prospects are bright for another winning year. Twelve lettermen are back. Topping the veterans are Frank Beck, who won All-Ohio honors at quarterback. He led the team in passing and groundgaining. In the backfield with him will be veteran John Rouse and sophomore Dave Kimmel at halfbacks and fullback George Sveda. The key linemen are Norm Stafford, one of the best guards around; ends Dom Delsignore, Percy Giles and Tony Cougras; and center Jim Vechiarella.

CENTRAL MICHIGAN—Twenty-eight returning lettermen from a team which won eight and lost two last season, plus a pair of former monogram winners who are back from service give Coach

Bill Kelly a wealth of experienced talent. The squad is paced by versatile Jim Podoley, one of the Mid-West's finest all-around athletes. Podoley topped the collegiate scorers in Michigan last season with-109 points. Jerry Thomas, who missed the final half of the 1954 season because of a broken leg, and Bernie Raterink, who showed improvement late in the campaign will support Podoley.

The line will be a completely veteran unit that will include Dick Kackmeister at center; Ron Rolph and Ray Figg at guards; Chuck Scott and Oliver Porter at tackles; and Wayne Wilson and John Finlayson at ends. The returning servicemen are Dave Clark, who was a regular halfback two years ago, and Bill Banazsak, a fine line-backer.

BUTLER (Indiana)—Coach Paul D. (Tony) Hinkle starts his 17th season as Butler's head coach with hopes his team can improve its record of a year ago when it won four games, lost four and tied one. Hinkle has 23 returning lettermen. Leroy Thompson, a fine fullback who gained 692 yards in 128 carries last season, tops the backfield candidates. Thompson scored 10 touchdowns. The line will be led by Jim Baker, a 225-pound tackle, and William Gamblin, 185-pound guard.

BALDWIN-WALLACE (Ohio)—Optimism is the keynote as Coach Paul (Sparky) Adams begins his second season. Baldwin Wallace won one and lost seven last season as Adams was forced to string along with a team composed largely of freshmen. Greater experience and depth are two factors being counted upon to bring an improved record. Adams will have back 11 lettermen from 1954, plus five monogram winners of previous years who have been in military service and four transfers who are eligible for the first time.

The backfield will be chosen from a list of gridders that includes Karl Justus, Don Schakleton and Bill Palmer at quarterback; and Jim Currens, Bill Halo and Ed Grob at halfbacks. Justus completed 50 out of 98 passes good for 870 yards last season. Nine of the tosses produced touchdowns.

The key linemen will be end Bill Joseph, who caught 15 passes good for 337 yards last year; his running mate Dick Lowry, with Ed Westhoven and Orlando Giovanatto in reserve; guards Bill Lowry, Don Kelly and Jerry Fouts and tackles John Herbert, Paul Shocky and John Moore.

DEPAUW (Indiana)—The past two seasons have been extremely difficult ones for Coach Edwin R. (Mike) Snavely and his Depauw teams. Over that stretch they haven't been able to win a game. Two ties and 14 losses dot the card. The team last season scored only 99 points while allowing its opponents to run up 229 points. A 6 to 6 tie with Oberlin was the best performance. The losing margin ranged from three touchdowns upward in five of the seven losing contests.

Fifteen lettermen are returning from last season. These veterans will be aided by tackle Clark Taylor, a monogram winner in 1953, and Skip Mathieson, a halfback who is a transfer from Brown

University. The leading backs include quarterback Don Boveri, who completed 23 out of 77 passes last season for 285 yards; his understudy, Gary Jones; halfback Art Bryant and fullback Marion Wingard, who topped the team's ground gainers last season. The outstanding lineman is guard Bob Fink, who is playing his fourth season.

MID-AMERICA CONFERENCE

MIAMI (Ohio) —Perennially one of the finest "small college" teams in the nation, Miami spent double time in the spotlight last season by virtue of winning the Mid-America Conference championship and pulling one of the season's top upsets by defeating Indiana of the Big Ten, 6 to 0.

Coach Ara Parseghian, who has won 30 games, lost six and tied one in four years here, well may be tapped by a bigger gridiron power as were his four predecessors in the job, Stuart Holcomb (Purdue), Woody Hayes (Ohio State), Sid Gillman (Los Angeles Rams) and George Blackburn (Cincinnati.)

Miami will start out with a bid for national attention again as it meets Northwestern in the opener.

Parseghian has back 17 lettermen from his title winning squad but only three starters will be back in their old positions.

The big rebuilding job is in the backfield where there isn't a regular returning. However, with the exception of quarterback there will be a letterman available at each position who started one or more games.

The quarterback post likely will go to Tom Dimitroff, a junior who showed great promise until an ankle injury sidelined him. The veteran halfbacks returning are Tirrel Burton, who averaged seven yards a try on 34 carries last season; Tom Troxell, Jerry Hanlon, Earl Biederman, Paul Boykin, Glen Swigart and Powell Toth. The call at fullback likely will go to Dean Power, who picked up 333 yards in 50 carries last season, with Jack Acus, who had 293 yards on 35 carries, in reserve.

Overall the backfield appears to possess more speed, but less power than the unit of a year ago.

The line will be built around Roger Siesel, a 212-pound tackle, who figures to be one of the Mid-America's finest individual performers. The other tackle will be Don Smith, a 210-pounder. Russ Giganti, a regular last season, is back at guard. His running mate will be Tom Mooney, who was regular right end last season. The veteran Dick (Butch) Mattern is returning at center. End Bill Mallory is counted upon to spark improvement in flank play.

OHIO UNIVERSITY—Twenty returning lettermen from a team which won six and lost three gives Ohio U. prospects for another winning season. The veteran Carroll Widdoes, who is starting his seventh season at the helm, will have a team with excellent depth and speed among its backs. A weakness in the line at tackle is the big problem.

The backfield will be built around Erland Ahlberg, who won All-State and All-Conference honors. He was among the nation's small college leaders in ground-gaining with 837 yards on 114 carries for a 7.3 yards per try average. He scored 10 touchdowns. In addition Ahlberg did the team's punting and averaged 36.8 yards on 21 kicks.

A sophomore back of whom big things are expected is David Kuenzil, who stirred Ohio high school circles with his feats two years ago. In his senior season in high school, Kuenzil gained 2,160 yards rushing, completed 34 out of 58 passes for 607 yards, scored 32 touchdowns and converted 35 out of 44 extra points for a season's aggregate of 227 points.

The line will be paced by Doug Fairbanks, a 210-pound center; tackles Bob Wheeler and Don Schulnick; guards Bob Ripple, Dick Perkins, Chuck Saparano and Chuck Karikas, and sophomore end John Piehowicz.

KENT STATE—A smooth functioning, powerful offense which rolled up 324 points produced eight victories as against one defeat for Kent State last season. Coach Trevor Rees' team finished as runner-up in the Mid-America and earned a berth in the "Refrigerator Bowl" game at Evansville, Ind., where it lost to Delaware, 19 to 7.

From that squad, 17 lettermen are returning plus two monogram winners of previous seasons. This veteran provides Rees with a solid foundation.

The strong point of the team again will be its running attack. The offense will be paced by captain Jack Rittichier, who picked up 613 yards on 69 carries last season; Mike Norcia, who gained 529

FRANK BECK, who won All-Ohio honors at quarterback for Youngstown, is a clever passer and runner.



NORM STAFFORD, 5-11 senior guard, is fine blocker and vicious tackler for good Youngstown team.



in 70 tries; and a set of twin brothers, Jim and Bill Whitley. Bob Stimac will return at quarterback. He completed 17 out of 36 passes for 434 yards, although Kent State relied on its ground attack rather than an air attack. To fill a gap at fullback, Luke Owens, a 230-pounder who won All-Ohio honors at end last season, has been moved to the spot.

Two outstanding ends top the line candidates. They are Geno Gioia, who missed last season because of injuries, and Ken Redlin, a regular in 1952 who is back after military service. Other standouts on the forward wall are expected to be Bill Kerr, a 215-pound tackle, and Geno Monastra at guard.

TOLEDO—This is a year of trial for Coach Forrest W. (Frosty) England. He made a highly successful debut a year ago when he guided the team to six victories as against two defeats and a tie. However, the schedule has been made much tougher and that, coupled with the fact England has a squad heavy with sophomore material, presents the problem. If the newcomers all come through, Toledo could cause a stir in the Mid-America race.

England is working with a squad of 60 gridders. Of that number, 34 are sophomores. Last season, the Toledo coach had a varsity squad of only 28 players, so it appears inescapable that the team will have more depth and balance.

Fourteen lettermen form the foundation upon which the squad will be built. It is these veterans who will be blended in with the promising new-comers in the hope of producing a winning combination.

The outstanding line prospects are tackle Pat Connors and guard Clayton Umbles. Other veterans bidding for spots on the line are Bill Francis, Jerry

ROGER SIESEL, 212-pound tackle, is key man in Miami (O.) line and rated Mid-America standout.



Anderson and Johnny Womack at ends; Jim Rahman, Eddie Willis and Lynn Caldwell at tackles; Bob Dame and Fred Morgan at guards; and Dan Farbrother and Dick Dobis at center.

England appears set on his starters at three of the backfield posts with veteran performers. Dick Basich and Julius Taormina likely will get the call at halfbacks and Don Wright at fullback. Three holdovers fighting for the quarterback berth are Jerry Nowak, Ed Kaser and Bob Perez, but a 210-pound sophomore, Tom Olesh, may get the call ahead of them. Other backs who figure to see service include lettermen Bob Hunt, George Maxwell and Dick McKimmy.

BOWLING GREEN—After 14 seasons as head coach at Bowling Green, the veteran Bob Whittaker has handed the reins over to Doyt Perry. Perry comes to the post from Ohio State, where he served as backfield coach. Perry takes over a team which won only two games while losing seven. He will have 13 lettermen around which to start a rebuilding program.

Perry is revising the team's offense and will introduce the Split T.

The key quarterback spot will go to sophomore Don Nehlen, with Jim Bryan in reserve. Carlos Jackson appears to have clinched one starting halfback spot with sophomores Floyd Lennos and Vic DeOrio battling for the other starting job. The veteran Jack Giroux will be at fullback with Ben Rowe and Joe Bates in reserve. Giroux made 217 yards on 75 carries last season.

Letterman Harold Peek and sophomore Dill Asher will handle the center post, with letterman Joe Stanziale and newcomers Tim Murnen and Karl Koepfer fighting for guard spots; the veterans Fred Koch and 250-pounder Kenny Russell at tackles, with Jim Derr, Larry Kelly and Bill Havens in reserve; and Jack Hecker and Tom Kisselle, starters of a year ago, back for end jobs. Hecker was the Mid-America's top pass receiver last season with 12 catches good for 274 yards and three touchdowns Kisselle caught seven for 120 yards and three touchdowns. Another end possibility is Ed Janeway, a transfer from Illinois.

MARSHALL—There is one major objective as Coach Herb Royer begins his third season. It is to "tighten up the defense." Marshall scored three or more touchdowns in every game last season, with one exception, yet had to settle for a record of four victories as against five defeats. While Marshall had excellent offensive punch its defense was extremely weak as it gave up 220 points.

There are 25 lettermen on the squad of 60 with which Royer has been working. Bill Zban is back to handle the quarterbacking chores. Lettermen Bob Crews, a rugged 210-pounder, and George Templin are battling for the fullback berth with veterans Fred Freeman and Don Adkins at halfback spots. Two fine tackles in Bill Harris and 260-pound Ted D'Alesio top the line talent. Irvan Wilson, a 190-pound guard, is a fine prospect for stardom.

WESTERN MICHIGAN—Football fortunes have been down at Western Michigan, but Coach Jack Petoskey has the team on the road back now. After winning only one game while losing seven and tying another in 1953, Western pulled up to four victories as against five losses last season. With 14 lettermen returning it hopes to get on the winning side of the ledger this Fall.

The backfield will be led by co-captain Jerry Ganzel at quarterback. Ganzel completed 41 out of 115 passes for 624 yards last season. The top runner will be Charles Niddiffer at fullback. The outstanding linemen are end John Berryman, who caught 20 passes good for 369 yards; tackle Jim Walker and co-captain James Devine at guard.

OHIO CONFERENCE

MUSKINGUM—The runner-up to Heidelberg for the Ohio Conference championship last season, Muskingum will make another strong bid for the title. Coach Ed Sherman, starting his 11th season, took the Conference crown previously in 1949 and 1950. Muskingum will have back 19 lettermen from a squad which won six games, lost two and tied one. Muskingum had a powerful offense which rolled up 235 points, while permitting the opposition only 89.

A 155-pound halfback, Ted Smithers, and quarterback Joe McDaniel top the returning backs. Smithers carried the ball 80 times for 331 yards, a 4.1 per try average. He scored 10 touchdowns. McDaniel is a fine passer who completed 37 out of 75 tosses last season good for 597 yards. Nine of his passes were good for touchdowns. The line will be led by end Rudy Visnich, a rangy, 190-pounder, and Howard Collins, a 200-pound tackle.

DENISON—A perennial power in the conference, Denison finished third last season with five triumphs as against two losses. Its overall season rec-

ord was six victories, two defeats and a tie. Coach Keith W. Piper will have 19 lettermen returning this season. To direct the team, three experienced quarterbacks are available in Jim Click, Vince Guidotti and Dave Jones. The outstanding ball carriers are Marvin Smith, who gained 636 yards on 94 carries last season for a 6.8 yards per try average and captain Bill Haynes. Haynes averaged six yards per try with 691 yards on 116 carries.

Denison places its main reliance on a strong ground attack. It led the conference in rushing last season with 2,442 yards but was last in passing with a mere 293 yards. The top linemen are guard Walt Nadzak and 200-pound tackle Bill Wagner.

HEIDELBERG—Long one of the kingpins of "small college" football in the Mid-West, Heidelberg again figures to be among the section's leaders. With a record of seven victories as against one defeat and a tie, Coach Paul Hoerneman's team won the Ohio Conference championship in 1954. Hoerneman has a brilliant record of 65 victories as against 10 losses and four ties during his nine-year regime here.

Eleven lettermen from the title team of a year ago are back. The group is topped by Walter Livingston, a fine halfback who won first team Little All-America honors a season ago. Livingston carried the ball 133 times for 1,046 yards, an average of 7.8 yards per try. In the backfield with him will be Bill Demidovich, who averaged 5.7 yards per try on 84 carries, and Roy King, a fine fullback who averaged 5.1 yards per carry on 99 attempts. The line is topped by a pair of veteran guards in Jerry Zimmerman and Fred McGarvey; and Bruce Miller, a 230-pound tackle.

OHIO WESLEYAN—Fifteen lettermen from a team which won seven and lost two provide Coach Glenn Fraser with the prospects for another winning year. Fraser, who is starting his seventh season as head coach, also will have several returning servicemen

ERLAND AHLBERG, All-Ohio back and key man of Ohio U. backfield, carries for gain against Western Reserve. Ahlberg, 158 and 5-10, averaged 7.3 yards per try last season while piling up 837 in 114 carries.



to bolster his talent. Ohio Wesleyan had a fine offensive punch last season as it rolled up 213 points. The team scored in every contest and only twice was it held to less than three touchdowns.

There's an abundance of backfield talent to keep the offense functioning with Billy Wolfe, Bob Hancher, Glenn Butterman, Al Ullman and Dave Given back from last season, plus Jim Boggs, who is returning after a service hitch. The line will be built around Bob Stauffer, Jerry Ritter, Dud Ferguson, Allan Longo and Bill Davidson. Bill Appel, who played two seasons ago, is back from Army duty and may win a guard or tackle berth.

WOOSTER—The rebuilding of the line is the major problem which faces Coach Philip Shipe as he starts his seventh season at Wooster. Four linemen who played the entire four years of their collegiate careers and two others who were regulars for three seasons were among nine graduating stars. Sixteen lettermen are returning.

Along with his line problem, Shipe must do some juggling of his backfield talent. Dick Jacobs, who compiled one of the finest ball carrying records in the school's history last season when he gained 1,033 yards on 133 carries, is eligible for another year's play but may forego it to enter medical school. Tom Justice, a transfer from Princeton, is an outstanding new prospect. The line will be rebuilt around ends Don Baltz and Cliff Amos, tackle Stuart May, guard Doc Stefanek and center Tom Kimmis.

The veteran Ted Hole will be at quarterback. He completed 64 of 125 passes last season for 947 yards and eight touchdowns. One of his favorite targets is halfback Gerry Smith, who snagged 15 passes last season for 354 yards and gained 225 yards on 44 ball carrying attempts.

AKRON—A year ago as Joe McMullen made his debut as head coach, Akron started the season in impressive fashion but then slumped sharply. The team won three of its first four contests and then dropped the last four. Graduation took five lettermen and seven others left the squad because of academic difficulties or outside work loads. As a result, McMullen will have only 10 veterans back.

The backfield will be built around halfbacks Bob Schutzbach, John Williams and Jack Lengyel, who were the top ground gainers a season ago. John Weiner, a halfback who missed last season because of an operation; holdover quarterback Tom Boggs and sophomore Joe Monroe also are expected to see considerable service. The line will have four veteran ends to spearhead it. They are George and Bill Auten, Jim Townsend and Gene White. Other veterans on the line are tackle Tony Paris, and guards Mario Russo and Jerry Reeves.

WITTENBERG—"Big Bill" Edwards, one of Wittenberg's all-time great football stars and later head coach at Western Reserve, the Detroit Lions and Vanderbilt University, has returned to his alma mater in an attempt to rebuild its gridiron fortunes. Wittenberg won four and lost five last season. Ed-

wards will have 14 lettermen returning. Key men in the backfield will be quarterback Del Shannon and halfbacks Gene Urbanski, the leading groundgainer of last season, and Jim Ingledue, who missed most of the campaign because of injuries. The top line candidates are Gene Pierce, Jim Waters, John Adler, Jim Claggett, Dave Sward, Harry Yingst and Dick Faulkner.

MOUNT UNION-Improved speed and greater depth are factors counted upon by Coach Nelson M. Jones to help Mount Union better its mark of two victories as against seven losses of a year ago. Three veteran backs are expected to lead the attack. They are Dick Koons, a 150-pound speedster, Bill Gay and J. D. Ray. Koons picked up 233 yards on 59 carries last season and returned 14 kickoffs for an additional 329 yards. Gay quarterbacked the 1952 team, but then missed the entire campaign the next year because of injuries suffered while playing baseball. He was back in action last Fall, but was slow to regain his old-time form. Ray was plagued with injuries last year, but now is in top shape. The line will be led by Bert Patterson, 185-pound end; Art Spencer at tackle and Ron Novkov at guard.

CAPITAL-Fifteen returning lettermen from a team which won six and lost two a year ago gives Capital bright prospects. Coach Jack Landrum, starting his fifth season, is counting on three holdovers to spark the team. They are quarterback Chuck Kessler, halfback Eddie Garver and fullback George Troutman. Kessler stepped into a starting berth a year ago when veteran quarterback Jack Cherrington suffered a broken arm in the third game of the season, and became an immediate star. He completed 57 out of 107 passes for 703 yards. Garver topped the ball carriers with 338 yards in 47 tries for a 7.2 yards per try average. The 247-pound Troutman was overshadowed by two veterans last season, but figures to come into his own this year. The brightest linemen are captain and tackle Hugh Steckert, sophomore tackle Gene Steckert, guard John Butler and center Ron Mauller.

MARIETTA—Coach John (Red) Smith, in his fifth season at the helm, gave Marietta its first winning football campaign since 1939 last year when the team won four games, lost three and tied one. Nineteen lettermen are returning from that squad. The backfield will be topped by Elliott Jones, a 185-pound fullback who averaged 4.5 yards per try, and Dick Bowersock, a fine quarterback prospect, who is a transfer from West Virginia University. The brightest lineman is Nunzio Chelli, 185-pound guard and co-captain. The other co-captain, Vic Sansalone, who was slated to play the opposite guard, has been forced to pass up his senior season because of an injury.

HIRAM—Glaring weaknesses in the middle of the line doom Hiram's chances of getting back on the winning path. Coach Ed Shupa's team won two

games, lost four and tied one last season in his first year at the school. The line was his problem then and continues to be the major worry. Fifteen lettermen are returning. The attack will be built around Al Hrabak, a talented fullback who was the team's most consistent gainer last season. The top lineman is end Bill Allen. A fine pass receiver, Allen caught 12 tosses for 220 yards. He also did the team punting and averaged 34.1 yards per kick.

OBERLIN-Another rough season appears ahead for the veteran Lysle K. Butler, who is in his 26th year as Oberlin's coach. The team won two games, lost five and tied one last season when it had a fair offensive punch but lacked a stout defense to go with it. Fourteen lettermen are returning from that aggregation. Topping the list is quarterback Dan Langner, who will be playing his fourth season. Langner completed 26 out of 61 passes last season for 473 yards. Five of his tosses were good for touchdowns. Hank Edwards, who won a starting berth as a freshman a year ago and gained 342 yards on 58 carries, is the best running prospect. The line will be led by captain Tom Sherman, a fine guard, and end Del Mason, the team's leading pass receiver.

PRESIDENTS' CONFERENCE

WESTERN RESERVE—After unsuccessful competition in the Mid-America Conference, Western Reserve has dropped from membership in the league and will campaign in slower grid company.

Coach Eddie Finigan will have back 15 lettermen from last season plus the products of a promising freshman team that was unbeaten. It is these newcomers who will bolster the squad depth and help provide balance.

The backfield will be built around Harold (Candy) Carroll, a 190-pound senior fullback. Great things are expected of Jack Moskal, a halfback up from the freshman team. Topping the line is Gerald Mansell, a 218-pound tackle.

Western Reserve won three games, lost four and tied one last season.

WAYNE—The Tartars will be playing as a conference member for the first time in nine years this Fall as they inaugurate action in the new Presidents' Athletic Conference which was formed in December 1954. It is hoped that four more teams can be added in the near future.

Since PAC rules prohibit Spring practice, Wayne will be without the benefit of spring drills. This is rough on Coach Herb Smith who replaced Lou Zarza since Wayne lost heavily through graduation while two more regulars transferred. Missing will be the leading scorer and ground gainer for the past two seasons, Vic Zucco, as well as guard Tom Vukovich.

Ned Kramer, a junior quarterback, is expected to lead the Tartars this year in the backfield along with lettermen Bill Samples, Hank Lukowski, Jack Goggins and Jim Wemyss.

In the line the Tartars can count on end Bob

Lovasik, Charles Baughman and Charles Freynick. The tackles pose a serious problem with only Benny Paolucci back while at center Wayne has Bill Walker and Art Freiman both returning. At guard only Bill Yee, Jerry Heaton and John Warren have real experience.

JOHN CARROLL (Ohio)—A gridiron de-emphasis program is under way at John Carroll. Coach Herbert (Skeeter) Eisele's team won three and lost five last season. While only six lettermen are returning, the team figures to have an improved record as the schedule is much weaker. Team will be paced by halfback Joe Smaltz, who was the leading ground-gainer a year ago.

Wayne U. is the only team rescheduled among those who played last Fall.

CASE—After dropping intercollegiate football at the close of the 1953 season, Case is resuming the sport this Fall as a member of the newly formed Presidents' Conference. There are seven lettermen of the 1953 unit still in school and it is around these that Coach Phillip (Nip) Heim will build his team. The top back among the veterans is quarterback Walt Pavlick, who completed 71 out of 152 passes. Jack Campbell, a fullback transfer from Ohio State, is counted upon to be the key man in the running attack. The standout performers on the line will be Jim Buxton, a rangy end; and tackles Bob Meyer, a burly 205-pounder, and Lloyd Haglock.

Two years ago Case had a seven and one record. This Fall only six games have been scheduled.

NED KRAMER, 5-11 junior, directs Wayne attack in 1st year of Presidents' Conference competition.







MIKE OWSEICHIK shifts from guard to center to fill gap in three deep Yale line.

YALE soph backfield of '54 returns intact for Eli lvy title bid this season. L. to R.— Dennis McGill team's top scorer; Dean Loucks, quarterback; Steve Ackerman, full and Al Ward, halfback.



ART BOLAND, Big Red track ace, is speedy reserve in a top backfield.



DICK JACKSON, Cornell captain, led Nation in pass interceptions last Fall.



BILL DEGRAFF is set for direct star array of Red backs, best in the East.



PRINCETON'S veteran backfield set to operate are (L. to R.): Frank Cosentino, quarter; Dick Martin, full; and captain Royce Flippin and Bill Agnew, at halfback post.

MIKE BOWMAN is outstanding tackle on Princeton's newly stabilized line.





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ARMY OVER NAVY FOR EAST CROWN; IVY LAURELS TO YALE IN TIGHT FIT

PREDICTIONS

lvy League

- 1. Yale
- 2. Cornell
- 3. Princeton
- 4. Harvard
- 5. Brown
- 6. Dartmouth
- 7. Columbia

Penn

Plays only two Ivy games.

Yankee Conference

- 1. Massachusetts
- 2. New Hampshire
- 3. Rhode Island
- 4. Maine
- 5. Connecticut
- 6. Vermont

Maine Conference

- 1. Bates
- 2. Colby
- 3. Bowdoin

Independents

- 1. Army
- 2. Navy
- 3. Boston U.
- 4. Boston College
- 5. Penn State
- 6. Syracuse
- 7. Colgate
- 8. Holy Cross
- 9. Delaware
- 10. Rutgers
- 11. Villanova
- 12. Bucknell
- 13. Lafayette
- 14. Lehigh
- 15. Temple

OTHER INDEPENDENTS FOLLOW

Little Three

- 1. Amherst
- 2. Williams
- 3. Wesleyan

77HEN Navy outscored Army in their roaring offensive duel (27 to 20), it decided the 1954 mythical championship of the eleven-state Eastern sector that is administered by Asa S. Bushnell as commissioner of the Eastern Intercollegiate Football Association. Eddie Erdelatz's Midshipmen dethroned Red Blaik's Cadets and don't think the leader of the Black Knights hasn't been brooding over that disaster ever since. It gave Erdelatz a 4 to 1 lead in the service series.

There's no reason to suspect that the military and naval academies won't have it out again for the East's title. The long-range pick is Army, provided Blaik's unusual experiment of switching his All-America end, Don Holleder, to quarterback to succeed Pete Vann is completely successful, as well as his less drastic shifts of personnel in the line, including the changeover of strongman guard Ralph Chesnauskas to tackle. Navy retains only quarterback George Welsh of its top backs, but the Sailors had a formidable freshman group ready, willing and able to plug the vacancies.

In the Ivy League eight, Yale and Cornell arrived by opposite routes to effect a deadlock for the title. The Elis were never the same after their bruising brush with independent Army, while the Big Red stumbled at the start and closed with a rush. Both teams are loaded with backs. In the belief that the New Haven Blues have an edge in the line, they are the choice in another tight race. This is the last year before the Ivy League launches its unprecedented round-robin in 1956, with Penn at long last voted into the lodge, to be shunned by none of the brethren.

This may be Massachusetts' year to rise to the top of the Yankee Conference, composed of the six state universities of New England. Amherst in the Little Three will be under greater pressure to retain its honors in the Potted Ivy threesome.

Though the Football Rules Committee liberalized the two-year-old substitution rule, it didn't open the door for a return to platoon football. The most important rules change eliminated the fourminute segment of time at the end of the second and fourth quarters which made it, in effect, a sixperiod game for substitution purposes. This year we're back to four quarters, and any player who starts a quarter can be withdrawn and then returned to the game in that quarter.

Otherwise, the new things to remember are: (1) that an interior lineman who is made eligible as a pass-receiver, i.e., by being stationed at the end of the line, can not receive a pass if there is anyone stationed to his outside, and (2) all players of the offense must be within 15 yards of the ball when the referee signals it is ready for play. This liquidates the "sleeper" or "hideout" play, which was previously presumed unsportsmanlike any-

The East, fairly stable for quite a spell as to coaching tenures, comes up with one major-college shift. Tuss McLaughry, after a dozen years at Dartmouth, bowed to pressure and was replaced by Bob Blackman, a stranger to the East. Buffalo and R.P.I. brought in new coaches, too.

The East is pretty much divided again on Spring practice. The Ivy League, which started the move, has none of it, and neither do many of the small colleges. Of the better independents Colgate, Holy Cross and Rutgers eschewed Spring drills, while Syracuse going along with the Ivy for one year, went back to Spring sessions.

The poor old East, usually checked off as the country's weakest football domain, will have a strong rebuttal this year. If anyone laughs off Eastern football, it is only necessary to bring up Navy's resounding triumph over Ole Miss, the

champion of the football-proud Southeastern Conference, in the Sugar Bowl last New Year's.

If the service teams falter, Boston University, two points away from an unbeaten season last year; Boston College, one game away from a perfect record; Penn State and Syracuse all hope to grab off the Eastern crown.

Even without the fleet-footed Lenny Moore, the East will have some notable backs in Bob Kyasky of Army, Welsh of Navy, Royce Flippin of Princeton, Dennis McGill of Yale, and Dick Jackson of Cornell, and such line standouts as Ronnie Beagle of Navy, Chesnauskas of Army, Jim McGuinness of Brown, John Miller of Boston College, Jim Buonopane of Holy Cross, Phil Tarasovic of Yale and Bill Meigs of Harvard.

IVY LEAGUE

YALE—The sophomore-dominated team of a year ago (seven sophomores were regulars at one time or another) is fortified by another unbeaten freshman squad, second in a row at New Haven. Jordan Olivar, in three years, has built well and has an overall record of 17-7-3.

Old Blues, however, don't quite know how to assay the record. Yale tied Cornell for the Ivy League title last year but it has failed to win Big Three honors as yet under Olivar. Unbeaten in their first six games, the Elis were smashed by Army in rude awakening. Injuries cost them Princeton and Harvard games, always a calamity under the elms.

Olivar has a big, good-looking squad to defend his share of Ivy crown. But Army again stands as a formidable hazard just ahead of the Big Three round-robin.

It is a young squad. Only two senior lettermen are included in three-deep line strength. They are the tackles—big, rugged Phil Tarasovic (only two-year letterman on the squad) and Bill Lovejoy, son of All-America Win.

There's a year's experience at all other positions except at guard where Peter Fritzsche and Bob Mobley played little as substitutes and at center where Mike Owseichek takes over. Big Mike, good enough to play anywhere, was a school fullback who was converted to freshman center, moved into varsity starting berth at guard and now returns as No. 1 center.

Complete junior backfield, returning intact, has quarterback Dean Loucks, who never played on

JIM JOSLIN, 6-1 tailback, generates triple-threat power to make Harvard Single Wing click this Fall.

losing team in five years until Army walloping; swift halfbacks Dennis McGill and Al Ward and fullback Steve Ackerman. Loucks' passing can stand improvement to complement strong running attack. McGill, team's top scorer and runner, averaged 6.5 yards as Yale's first breakaway ace in years, and figures to have even bigger season. Ward attained first-string rating in mid-season, averaged 5.9 yards. Ackerman was coming fast when he broke a collarbone against Army.

Outstanding sophomores are quarterbacks Dick Winterbauer, 194, who runs, passes, kicks extra points and field goals, and Pudge Henkel; halfbacks Bob Conway and chunky little Hervey Triplett; fullbacks Jim Kinney and Tom Lorch.

Rounding out a big line are ends Paul Lopata and Vern Loucks (no relation to Dean), both veterans. Most line reserves except tackles Ken Jones and Bide Thomas are sophomores, among them center Pete Wight, guards Henry Burt and Georges St. Laurent, tackles Ed Moore and Kent Bales and ends John Pendexter, Nolan Baird, Michel Cavallon and Bill MacLean.

A team with potential, Yale may start to capitalize on two unbeaten freshmen crops.

CORNELL—Another setup like last year, only more so. Lefty James is again loaded with backs, everyone returning except fullback Guy Bedrossian, but that line he finally organized last Fall is virtually wiped out. The Big Red had a crazy season as Ivy favorite, losing its first four, then, when Jim Van Buren's broken wrist healed, winning the last five and tying for the Ivy title.

Lefty is conditioned, therefore, to a similar situation which may be alleviated by talent from a freshman team that won four of five, plus return to eligibility of big Stan Intihar, 1953 end.

The coach concedes his backfield riches, second to none in his league and in the East.

"Our backfield situation is very bright—fine runners, great competitors," says James.

He has quarterback Billy DeGraaf ready to run more on option plays from the T and a probably improved passer, and swift halfbacks in Dick Meade and Dick Jackson. Latter led the nation in pass interceptions (7), averaged 12.3 yards on punt returns, 26.1 on kickoff returns, 5.9 from scrimmage and caught 17 passes for 11.5 average.

Going deeper, Ithacans boast a fast junior in track-sprinter Art Boland and two of the most widely acclaimed sophomores, Bob McAniff, who

BILL MEIGS, 190-pound Harvard captain, forms part of outstanding interior line for hopeful Crimson.









JIM McGUINNESS is Brown mainstay and one of best tackles in East.

MONTE PASCOE, top Dartmouth end, is fine receiver and defender.

dives with power and has breakaway speed, and Irvin (Bo) Roberson, who's even faster but not as hard a runner.

Steve Miles, 1953 freshman fullback, who was converted to varsity center in emergency, will return to backfield, particularly if sophomore Tom Akins performs as expected at center. Other sophomore fullbacks of quality are Ed Tibbitts and Chris Hatton, both 195.

DeGraaf and Co., however, couldn't move in first month last year behind a green line. They'll have another green line in front of them, but this one may click sooner. Only veterans on it are Intihar, who may shift to tackle, and guard Al Suter. Tackle Bill Purdy and guard Frank Vadney move up from reserves. Other sophomores eyed as starters are end Gerry Knapp and tackle Bruce Schram.

PRINCETON—In the two rebuilding years that followed their six-year stretch (1947-52) of Big Three mastery, the single-wing buck-lateral Tigers managed to keep their heads above the .500 mark.

Chiefly responsible was tailback Royce Flippin on his individual triple-threat exploits. For example, Princeton won five of six with Flippin healthy, lost two and tied one when an injury sidelined him. With ten touchdowns, he was the Ivy League's top scorer, ranked second in rushing.

Charley Caldwell's two years of line reorganization should pay dividends this Fall. Flippin, in his senior year, will have experienced backfield company in fullback Dick Martin, a solid blocker; and Franklin (Bill) Agnew, wingback. For two years Caldwell has had quarterback problems, which may be solved by arrival of sophomore John Sapoch.

Behind them are lettermen Frank Cosentino, John Futhey and Sidney Pinch.

As a result of several switches the Nassau line finally attained stability and will start with ends Don MacElwee and Mike Stewart, tackles Fred Melges and Mike Bowman, guards Charley Sharp and Arthur Szeglin and center John Thompson. Losses were greatest in tackles, for which Caldwell prepared by converting guard and center. Reserves include end Joe DiRenzo and Joe Grotto, tackle Earle Harder, guard Wendell Inhoffer. Sophomore linemen to watch are tackle Julian McCaull and guard Bob Casciola.

The Tigers aren't back to where they were in post-war era, but Flippin and Co. are definitely first-division contenders.



LEO McKENNA, Big Green captain, is top field general on defense.

ARCHIE WILLIAMS ran up 6.9-yard rushing average for Bruins in 1954.



HARVARD—Champion of the ancient Big Three for the first time since 1941, the Crimson, in its sixth year under Lloyd Jordan, has an encouraging outlook, considering its unprepossessing recent background. Two straight over Yale are inspiring.

With 14 lettermen gone and an equal number remaining, a fair first team is indicated. Experienced junior backs are comparatively plentiful, but depth is nowhere evident, particularly at end and center. There's added speed in backfield to provide strong running game. Passing and punting are rated normal.

One of the two single-wing teams in the Ivy set, the Cantabs rely on heavy-duty left half. They have two seasoned run-pass-punt tailbacks in big Jim Joslin and small Matt Botsford. Fullback Tony Gianelly adds more running power. With Phil Haughey, 6-4, 202, as a quarterback (blocking back), Jordan may spring more T for a change-up. Leo Daley is another quarterback veteran. John Simourian and Dexter Lewis provide limited experience at right half. All are juniors except Lewis, who had a puzzling injury which benched him last season. The new backs came fast after shocking opening loss to Massachusetts.

The sophomore group is sending up fewer good ones than usual, but one of them is highly touted Walt Stahura to complement strong tailback department with his varied skills. Joe Guglietta is a new fullback who will be useful.

Interior line strength is good with guards Bill Meigs and Ted Metropoulos, tackles Orville Tice and John Maher and centers Jan Meyer and David Bodiker. At end, though, Bob Morrison is lone seasoned hand. Sophomores who will be in picture are ends Bob Cathcart and Tom Hooper and center Marv Lebovitz.

Though they beat both Princeton and Yale for the first time in 13 years, the Harvards left themselves ample scope for more progress. Their season's record was 4-3-1.

BROWN—Failure to convert two points after touchdowns against Yale in a 26-24 game cost the Bruins the Ivy League title. At that, Alva Kelley came up with his best team at Providence and a satisfying 6-2-1 record.

It took him four years to build to that success and now Kelley starts pretty much from scratch again with a squad that has only six experienced players and relatively few squad members returning. Graduation wiped out nearly all of stalwart line, plus quarterback Pete Kohut.

A heavy load will be carried by Jim McGuinness, one of the best of Eastern tackles, and halfbacks Archie Williams, who averaged 6.9 yards rushing, Tommy Thompson and Bill Cronin. They form the slim nucleus for Kelley's rebuilding, aimed at 1956.

Because of them the Bruins will be strongest at tackle and halfback spots. Quarterback Dom Balogh and fullback Bob Minnerly round out ball-carrying quartet. Only other lettermen in the line are end Pete Bartuska, guard James Lohr and tackle Jim Cerasoli.

Kelley as usual is plagued by dearth of strong ends; fullbacks and centers, too, this time. End Russ Frazier, center Dick Fusco and guard Dick Crews, all with limited playing time, may get chance to start. Switches in line, aimed for more speed, are indicated.

Several promising sophomores give Kelley hope for development. Among them are ends Francis Carullo, Jack Kleiderlein and Don Nelson; tackles Ed Eastman, James Mello, Dick Riley and Gil Robertshaw; guard Larry Kalesnik, centers Richard Carolan and Ed Fletcher and backs Pasquale Altieri, Bill Frank, Jon Jensen, Joe Miluski and Martin Moran.

DARTMOUTH —For the Green's diamond jubilee in football, the big news, though not pleasant news for his host of friends, is the resignation of DeOrmond (Tuss) McLaughry after 12 years at Hanover. Bob Blackman, from Denver U., accompanied by three assistants, is taking over a squad that has been a steady loser (three victories last year represented a three-year peak of achievement).

All the new coach knows about his Indians he learned from movies. He will install his so-called V-system, described as basically split-T except that the fullback is a wide blocking back, located between tackle and end, a yard back of the line.

Twenty-five lettermen greet the new coach. To operate new attack, he has two senior quarterbacks, Leo McKenna and Bill Beagle, excellent passers and ball-handlers. Beagle has been the more effective passer, McKenna stronger on defense. Neither has run much, though, as required in a spit-T. Mike Brown, son of Cleveland Browns' famed coach, is a third quarterback. Dick Smith, Phil Rollins, Tom Hall, a sub center who had a wrist operation in the Spring, and sophomore Dave Pratt are candidates for fullback job.

Blackman, however, is combing squad for breakaway halfbacks. McLaughry couldn't find many either. Lou Rovero and Jack Nicolette may fill the bill, though both are small, along with Bob Rex and Bob Charman. Passing may still be Green's forte.

Thanks to Elmer Lampe, who stays on, Dartmouth continues to field good ends despite losses



GEORGE SEITZ, 6-2 end, shines as pass receiver for weak but game Columbia.

CLAUDE BENHAM is back to spark-plug the Lions as clever field pilot.



in this department. Monte Pascoe, who caught 24 passes as a sophomore, and Ron Fraser are likely starters, backed by seniors Bud Roth and Don Gray.

Most of the interior linemen remain—tackles Wayne Kakela, Tom Bechler, George Bixby and George Krosnowski, plus Malcolm Brown, 215, varsity catcher who eschewed football as a sophomore; guards Stan and Stu Klapper (twins), Pete Conroy and Larry Karacki, plus sophomore Jim Riffle, and centers Fritz Simms and Bob Adelizzi.

The Indians have had center trouble for some years. Sophomores Brendan McAdams and Gigi Principi have a chance here.

COLUMBIA—Lou Little's silver anniversary football season on Morningside Heights (1-8) was one he'd just as soon forget, except for the sentimental kudos it brought. At that, with a typically undermanned squad, Little had his team in the fight until sophomore Claude Benham, an authentic sparkplug, clever quarterback, outstanding passer and T-option runner, had his arm almost wrenched loose by Army's Don Holleder in mid-season. The Lions went downhill to sad finish without Benham.

It's a game-tested fact, therefore, that little Claude means everything to the Light Blue. With him leading the charge all season, Prof. Lou is hopeful of showing improvement in team performance, though a better record is problematical. He must rebuild everywhere, probably will have to shift his few seasoned players in the line and doesn't come up with much in the way of reinforcements from a weak freshman group.

Benham's backfield will be pretty much intact, counting the healthy regulars of last year, with Mike Lacopo at fullback, Art Wilson and Alex Giampietro at the halves. Most help, however, may come from an unexpected source. Ed Spraker, a sophomore returned from Navy service, gets Little's praise as a back with high potential. He's almost cinch to crash starting lineup.

To develop one of his aggressive lines ahead of Benham and Spraker, Little has limited resources. Veterans are ends George Seitz and Jim Mooney, son of Little's great punting end at Georgetown a generation ago; substitute tackle Paul Tremblay and guard Fred Bucci. Letterman Frank Corral looms as other guard. Best of the sophomore linemen is Don Manes, probable starting center. Though there are 17 lettermen, many of them played briefly.

With Benham healthy, the Lions will surprise some one.

PENN—Steve Sebo and his Quakers face another stormy season against the likes of Notre Dame, Army and Navy before they can plant their feet in the Ivy League round-robin of 1956. Their first year together was even more disastrous than most expected—an unprecedented nine straight defeats, 73 points against 302.

Indoctrinated in the Michigan State multiple offense after years of George Munger's single-wing, Penn will know more about what it is trying to do. Sebo will help further by simplifying intricate offense. He still has 17 lettermen, six of them regulars. Four will be shunted to new positions.

Help is forthcoming from sophomores, several of whom figure to break into lineup in short order, and from two returning service men. No drastic change for the better, however, is envisioned. Speed and an experienced quarterback are still lacking as Penn seeks its first victory under Sebo.

Jack McCarthy, who took over as quarterback in last two games, will direct operations until sophomore Rich Ross, skillful ball handler, gets varsity know-how in early tests. Neil Hyland shifts from right to left half, Joe Callahan from quarterback to right half. Stan Chaplin, at fullback, is a rugged line-backer who played more than 75 per cent of all games, with Leon Hardy returning as his understudy.

Sophomore reserves in the backfield, besides Ross, are Frank Riepl, a schoolboy T quarterback who brings some needed speed to left half, and Charley McKinney and Buck Rodgers at right half.

Except for center Bill Assiff, who played only two minutes last year, lettermen are available from end to end. Left side shapes up as stronger with end Bob Lebengood, a part-time halfback last year, tackle Fred Dustin and guard Jim Shada, who leads interference and back up five-man line. He was hampered by injuries. Guard Tom Agnew, tackle Dick Pomygalski and end Jim Conlin round out the line.

End Dick Schaefer, 210, and tackle Earl Killian,

JIM SHADA, who leads interference as guard, captains Penn this year. JOE CALLAHAN shifts to halfback for another tough Penn campaign.





6-5, 235, who developed at Fort Monmouth, are back from service. Two outstanding line prospects are guards Peter Keblish and Bob Werts, who may beat out Agnew.

"A year ago we knew none of 53 men; now we have 75 men whom we studied last Fall," reports Sebo, who hopes to capitalize on a year's acquaintance with his material.

INDEPENDENTS

ARMY—Though the cadets registered seven victories for second straight year, their defeat in roaring offensive duel with Navy not only cost them their Eastern title and top-five spot in national ranking but was a bitter pill for Earl H. (Red) Blaik and entire corps.

Explosive long-gainer passing and running attack directed by Pete Vann successfully hid the fact, until service finale, that Army made adjustment for line-backing vulnerability.

With Vann gone, Blaik is looking for a quarter-back for the first time in four years. Otherwise his backfield is fast and potent. Several adjustments of personnel, however, are charted in the line and none is more drastic than switch that shifts Don Holleder, one of the nation's brilliant ends, specializing in catching Vann's long passes, to the quarter-back post. Springtime experiments don't always stand up in Fall competition, but Holleder was still running the team when Spring drills closed.

The chances of Army regaining East's No. 1 ranking are good, providing Holleder can satisfy Blaik's exacting standards. With 15 returning lettermen, seven of them regulars, the new quarterback is the key. Russ Mericle, Vann's understudy, ran second team well but lacks passing arm.

Backfield support is exceptional. Bob Kyasky is headed for great season at left half, provided his collarbone, fractured as plebe and yearling, stays in one piece. He missed virtually whole season. Swift and versatile, he will be the big runner, punter, pass receiver and safety, outstanding in all. Ex-halfback Pat Uebel has had a full year's seasoning as fullback. Mike Zeigler, hampered by damaged back last year, will operate at right half.

With Holleder joining backs, the line will have only four holdover regulars, three shifting to new chores in more sweeping Blaik changes. Art Johnson remains at end, but strongman Ralph Chesnauskas (extra-points kicker) and Flay Goodwin move from guard to tackle, ex-center Dick Stephenson from tackle to guard:

End Don Satterfield, center Ed Szvetecz and sophomore Loren Reed at guard round out revamped wall. Reed was a plebe tackle. With all tackles becoming guards, is Blaik re-tooling his attack and defense set-up? Army was No. 1 in rushing and total offense last year.

Returning, too, are most of the reserve halfbacks—Dick Murtland, Joe Cygler and Pete Lash, fortified by halfback Bob Munger and fullbacks Vince Barta and John Andrusko from plebes. Line reserves include tackle Mike Petruno. guard Joe



PAT UEBEL is ready to blast enemy lines as slambang Cadet fullback.

DON HOLLEDER takes on quarterback job for the mighty Army team.



Bishop and center Darrold Erickson, a converted tackle, along with Bill Saunders, John George, Arley Finley, Stan Slater, Dick Warner and Jim Kernan from plebes.

Blaik, in his 15th year at West Point, also has reorganized staff after three assistants were grabbed for head coaching jobs elsewhere.

NAVY—Eddie Erdelatz's five-year plan on the banks of the Severn produced, in its fifth year, a Team Called Desire, the Eastern championship, a walloping Sugar Bowl conquest of Ole Miss, the best record (7-2) at Annapolis since the war years and 4-1 command of the Army series.

Altogether a notable year of achievement. Gone, however, are 18 lettermen, including five regulars, wiping out much of Navy's fine depth, leaving only nine lettermen, six regulars—one back and five linemen. Only three remain from second team.

Solid nucleus for Eastern title defense consists of quarterback George Welsh and most of hard-bitten line—ends Ron Beagle (All-America) and Earle Smith, tackles John Hopkins and Jim Royer and center Wilson Whitmire. The defense yielded more than one touchdown to only two foes. Exceptionally strong plebe team will refill depth chart.

Losses were concentrated. Erdelatz misses his four top-ranking guards and first four halfbacks, plus fullback Joe Gattuso who punted, led scorers and ground-gainers and was voted most valuable in Sugar Bowl. Unlike last year when Erdelatz started with a corps of backs but had to revamp line, this year he faces problem of rebuilding backfield around Welsh, who attained late-season acclaim with his ball-handling, clever direction and execution of split-T option. A .500 passer, Welsh is ablest quarterback Erdelatz has had.

Likely successors to Jack Weaver and Bob Craig are third-string Chet Burchett and sophomores Ed Oldham, fortified by Ed Malynn and Paul Gobert. Pending success of Spring knee operation on Dick Guest, chunky Vince Monto, 203, goes at fullback. Pass defense will need attention.

Only newcomers in strong, combative line are guards—sophomore Tony Stremic, 200, and senior Vernan Dander.

With Royer missing Spring practice, Pat McCool is installed at tackle. Battling Whitmire is Jim Hower. Under Navy's daily grading system in workouts, no one is ever certain he's the starter from week to week.

Pat Flood, highly publicized transfer from Notre Dame, will concede quarterback berth to Welsh, may find spot for himself at halfback. Other newcomers from well-stocked plebe class are guards Anthony A. Anthony, 210, and Charles Boyle, halfbacks Ron Brence and Vince Panaia and fullback Harry Hurst.

BOSTON U—In his tenth year in the Hub, Buff Donelli is eyeing his best season, which would mean an authentic try for the jackpot. His Terriers won seven, lost two by the margin of an extra point, on all all-East schedule last year. Two intersectional foes, plus a formidable opener with Penn State, have altered his 1955 card.

Where, a year ago, he had to organize almost an entire new line without Spring practice, Donelli this year re-instituted Spring drills, boasts perhaps his strongest line, end to end, and has the makings of a balanced backfield though halfback Ken Hagerstrom is the lone holdover starter. There are 16 lettermen.

Quarterback is the key to success, Donelli feels. Left-handed Tom Lerario has senior priority, but may give way to returning Army veteran, Phil O'Connell, who was being groomed as Harry Ag-



RON BEAGLE, All-America end last year, booms for Navy title defense.

GEORGE WELSH, Tars' Sugar Bowl star, will again take charge of attack.



ganis's successor when he was a sophomore three years ago. Fullback Frank Chiera, who averaged 8.5 yards as sophomore, now in keen battle with John Slauson, transfer from Wisconsin, and halfback Bob Sylvia round out ball-carrying corps with Hagerstrom.

Halfback Norm Chadwick, a 1953 regular now eligible again, and quarterback Len Hill, who threw nine touchdown passes in three games as a freshman, provide additional resources for Donelli's high-scoring winged-T and split-T offense, despite loss of three-fourths of his 1954 backfield.

For the first time in years Buff is happy over his line. End John Bredice, who caught 20 passes, six for touchdowns; center Mike Abbruzzese, who shared the job with Frank Giuliano last year; and guard Lou Lovely loom as standouts. Other likely starters are end Steve Sobieck, tackles Frank Breker, Dick Bates and John Migliore and guards Dick Biernacki and Ray Nicolletta. The reserves are considered good. Sophomore Sal Schiazza is tabbed as an end who has a bright future.

BOSTON COLLEGE—A new game with highly touted Miami of Florida on Nov. 4 may be the one that will decide whether the high-flying Eagles can soar through unclipped. That's the feeling on Chestnut Hill campus. Only an upset (19-14) by oft-beaten Xavier of Cincinnati marred a ninegame slate a year ago.

Eight regulars, plus other part-time regulars, are numbered among 23 lettermen. Mike Holovak, however, is keeping his fingers crossed.

"I have an experienced player for every position," he says, "but beyond the first eleven I'll need lots of help."

That well established first team takes the field with ends Dick Lucas and Emerson Dickie, tackles John Miller and Dick Myles (converted from guard to fill Frank Morze's shoes), guards Vin St. Pierre and Tino Bertolini, center Lenny Andrusaitis, quarterback Billy Donlan or Henry Sullivan, halfbacks Tom Magnarelli and Eddie DeSilva and fullback Middio Petrarca.

Powerhouses of the line are Miller, 6-6 and 235, and St. Pierre, with able support left and right, though the center has to establish himself in this company. Donlan, who had only half a sophomore season because he changed his mind a couple of times on choosing his college, is set for his first full varsity campaign.

LENNY MOORE holds key to Coach Rip Engle's hope's at Penn State this Fall.

ED DeSILVA, 5-9 and only 165, is a light but speedy back for Boston College.

The reserve strength Holovak is thinking about may come from sophomores, chiefly such backs as Billy Alves, John (Boots) Connolly and Don Seagar. Another, returning from armed forces, is Tommy Joe Sullivan, who was spectacular as a then-eligible freshman on the varsity when he ran back on Ole Miss kickoff nearly 100 yards in a losing cause and caught a 60-yard pass from Jimmy Kane that set up the touchdown that upset Holy Cross in 1951.

PENN STATE—Availability of Lenny Moore, who roared 1,082 yards last year, is key to Nittany Lions' hopes. With him, Rip Engle will concede possibility of matching 7-2 mark despite loss of 12 top players from his strongest team in five years. Without the halfback who, some believe, was just about the best in State history, Engle sees trouble ahead though he has an interior line of proved merit and seasoned backs among ten lettermen.

Moore flunked out with senior year still ahead but late word from University Park is that he was re-admitted to college as a probationary Summer student and conceivably could regain eligibility.

Though quarterback Don Bailey proved his ability by winning Most Valuable Player trophy in East-West Shrine game, loss of six ends and tackles hits Engle more. Good sophomores admittedly are coming up as replacements, but who can replace Moore, if he can't play?

"We don't have the depth I'd like in several spots," says Engle, "and our overall speed isn't as good as it was. But I'm not as worried as I was over replacing our ends."

At quarterback Milton Plum, Bobby Hoffman and Jim Hochberg are rated nearly on a par. At right half it will be Billy Kane, who made fast progress as Ron Younker's understudy, and Bobby Allen. Bill Straub and Charley Blockson remain at fullback. No one did much spelling of Moore. Ray Alberigi played a little. Matt Yanosich, due back from service, may be converted from fullback.

Center is a strong spot on line, with big Frank Reich and Dan Radakovich. Earl Shumaker, Dick DeLuca and Sam Valentine are quality guards. Another, Jack Calderone, shifts to tackle to pair off with veteran standout Otto Kneidinger. Best of the sophomores are Les Walters and Paul North at end, Ron Markiewicz and Emil Caprara in backfield.

Tackle Walter Mazur and ends Ned Finkbeiner and Doug Mechling move up from reserves.

KEN HAGERSTROM, Boston University captain, is lone '54 starter backfield.











ED BAILEY remains at guard as the top blocker on a rugged Syracuse line.

JIM BROWN, versatile Syracuse athlete, powers ground attack for Orange.

SYRACUSE—Ben Schwartzwalder has a new fiveyear contract and when he finishes it he will have served longer (11 years) than any of his predecessors on Piety Hill.

Along with the new contract, however, Ben gets just about the toughest schedule among the Eastern powers.

"We like 'em tough," says the old paratroop officer.

Despite uncertain quarterbacking and inferior passing, he got by with an even break in a year of experimentation without Spring practice. To cope with 1955 slate, the coach had Spring practice restored. He shifted personnel.

If Ed Albright, who stepped into vexing QB spot for strong finish, and Ron Tyler, converted half-back, measure up to play-calling and passing duties; if Pete Schwert makes successful switch from end to center as Paul Slick's successor and line-backers develop to fill shoes of Slick and Bill Wetzel, the Orange will feel comfortable. It had to stick to the ground last year, averaged 230 yards against massed defenses.

Chief architect of ground attack will be left half Jim Brown, 212, powerful, fast, a defensive stalwart and an all-around whiz (basketball high scorer and Olympic decathlon prospect). Jim Ridlon, shifting from end, will team up with him at halfback, leaving Don Laaksonen at fullback. Bill Micho can fill in at either half. Mark Hoffman, right half on Eastern championship team in 1952, is expected back from the Army for one more season of play.

Slick is about the only loss from big, strong line, and Schwert, 6-4, 210, probably can fill that gap. Ed Bailey, converted from end in mid-season, is headed for a big year at guard. He's the best blocker and rugged on defense. Jerry Cashman developed well as sophomore tackle. Other hold-overs are end Tom Richardson and guard Cal Smith. Remaining posts may go to sophomores: Dick Lasse, whom Doc Blanchard rated the best freshman end he saw last year, and Chuck Strid at tackle.

Other promising sophomores are backs Bob Hart, clever open-field runner; fullback Ed Coffin; end Dick Aloise, 6-4, 217; guard Ken Tuttle, tackle Gerry Hershey and quarterback Ferd Kuczala.

COLGATE—Backfield injuries, particularly to Dick Lalla, which cost the Red Raiders an unbeaten season in their last two games, also forced sophomore development of split-T quarterback Guy Martin as Lalla's successor. Martin established himself as quality passer, field general and punter. So Hal Lahar, who has had two winning seasons in three years in the Chenango Valley (5-2-2 last year), starts with seasoned quartet of Martin, halfbacks Frank Nardulli, the team's best runner, receiver and safety, and Frank Speno and fullback Ed Whitehair, two line regulars and nine other lettermen.

"The backfield also has good reserves, making up in speed what they give away in weight, but our most telling injuries have been among backs," reports Lahar. "Without Spring drill, we are going to experiment along the line which was hard hit."

Solid performers on that line, which is weakened in the middle, are tackle Tom Powell, a defensive stalwart, and end Milt Graham, six-foot-six and powerful. Also set to start are end Fran Angeline, tackle Lou Mascellino, guard Jim Yurak and center Frank Solana. Frank Garn, former Army plebe, may be useful at tackle or center.

Not too much is coming up from freshman squad, which lacked big men. Guard Al Paparella, center Charley Perfetti and halfback Phil Bisselle, small but swift, are given best chance.

The Maroon plays virtually the same schedule except that it is toughened by substitution of Army for Dartmouth.

HOLY CROSS—Unable to cope successfully with their opposition last year (3-7) though they were most troublesome to their stronger foes, the Crusaders are not sure they can cross to the alkaline side of a .500 mark. Sophomores will be shouldered with much of the burden as Dr. Eddie Anderson continues his task of rebuilding.

He has three quarterbacks who shared the job a year ago. All are good passers. Senior Jack Stephans rates an edge on his play-calling and defense. Billy Smithers, hampered by a shoulder injury, made rapid progress in late season. Tom Roberts engineered upset of Boston U. after near-miss against Miami of Florida. Their receivers, however, don't come up to the throwers, and ends, particularly, appear to be the weakest department.

Because freshmen of 1954 were better than two preceding classes, Paul Toland and Jack Ringel, both sophomores, probably will outrank letterman at left half, though, without Spring drills, they were unable to prove merit. Sophomore Dick Surrette also is high on fullback list and with Frank Nealon may shunt starter Bob Rosmarino to third string. Charley Ratto at right half rounds out backfield.

Keystone of lines is guard Jim Buonopane, small (5-9) but most valuable to team and rated one of the East's best line-backers. Ends Dick Arcand and Dick Long, tackles Joe Murphy and Jim Allegro, guard Ray Guerard and center Bernie Taracesicz, four of them rated regulars last year, are listed

as starters and will be supported, possibly replaced, by such sophomore prospects as tackle Jack Kern, 6-3, 235, son of former coach Bill Kern (Carnegie Tec hand West Virginia), tackle Tony Graziano, and guards Bob Tortorella and Tony Santaniello.

Newcomers will fortify interior line and backfield, but speed, which Dr. Anderson values as much as any coach, isn't available.

DELAWARE—Dave Nelson, consistently successful with Blue Hens in recent campaigns, missed a perfect record by one game in 1953, lost only two by a single point in 1954 and got a campus ovation upon return from victorious Refrigerator Bowl against Kent State.

The men who spearheaded Winged-T attack, notably Little All-America quarterback Jimmy Miller, who pitched 36 touchdown passes in four years; halfback Jimmy Flynn, who set school's ground-gaining record; and end Tom Redfield, drafted by the Chicago Bears, are gone, along with most of the line that held opposition to 81 points.

Though only four regulars remain, Nelson, looking ahead, employed his second team extensively, so he has a fairly experienced bunch to carry on, particularly in the backfield. A big, fast sophomore crop, if it makes varsity grade, will fill line gaps. Less experienced, the team believes it can maintain recent standard.

Bob Hooper steps into Miller's shoes. He'll have strong cast—left half Jim Zaiser, 155-pound passer, receiver and runner who won Maxwell Trophy as a sophomore and has gained more than 1,000 yards; right half Andy Wagner, who also pinch-hit at full; and fullback John Oberg. Halfback Jimmy Roe is best sophomore. Bill Green, re-eligible transfer student, is a quarterback with defensive ability.

On new line are Carmen Cella and Vince Grande, ends; Ed Malinowski and Jim Shelton, tackles; Jerry Weis and John Regan, guards; and Leonard Williams, center. Supporting them are sophomores: guard Walt Handel, tackle Joe Ciccone and ends Ray Heal and Ben Klingler. Interior of line is stronger than wings.

RUTGERS—As an aftermath of the only two losing seasons (2-6 and 3-6) he has had in 13 years on the banks of the Raritan, Harvey Harman boldly predicts a definite turn for the better. The Scarlet, howevers, didn't have Spring practice for the first time.

An unbeaten freshman team that won five, several newly eligible transfer students and a strong finish in 1954 prompt Harman's optimism.

"For the first time in five years we have good backfield manpower," advises Harman, "even though most of it comes from sophomores and transfers. We'll start slowly, progress fast. Much depends on our tackles and guards. Our ends look good."

Halfback Greg Holmes is a reliable holdover in a backfield which will be fortified by sophomore quarterback Bill Whitacre, a heralded passer; sophomore Bob Bear, with pile-driving credentials; and halfback LeRoy Lusardi, a transfer. Bill Gatyas is a seasoned quarterback.

End Don Felber and tackle Ed Evans carry the most experience on the line, where outstanding newcomers are sophomore end John Canal and guard George Wilson, a transfer student. Tackle Jim Marco, guard Bob Howard and center Tony DeSantis round out eleven, subject to change inasmuch as 12 lettermen, unbeaten 1954 freshmen and returning G.I.s are battling for jobs.

Frank Burns, who coached the unbeaten freshmen, is moving up to the varsity with them as backfield coach, changing places with Art Matsu.

VILLANOVA —The only team the Main Line Wildcats were able to beat in a harrowing 1954 season was Fordham in the final game—and Fordham has dropped football. The formidable schedule is no weaker, yet Frank Reagan, the old Penn star, looks forward to a happier second year. He has 18 lettermen, four of them regulars, and his 1954 freshmen not only won four out of five but showed varsity potential.

"We'll be stronger in all positions," notes Reagan, "but it's a long road back."

Holdover starters are Don McComb, 6-5, 230, at end, guards Mike Barry and Ron Wood, who played well during nine losing games, and quarterback John Ferruolo.

Sophomores Don Gallagher, Americo Sapienza and Dave Paar, all fast and shifty runners, will bolster the backfield, with aid from halfbacks John Bauer and Ed Ortelli, who are likely starters on experience. Al Ciarrochi shifts from half to fullback to help Frank D'Alonzo and Tony Esgro.

Other changes effected by Reagan moved Ron

GUY MARTIN, Red Raider quarterback, tossed 5 touchdown passes in '54.



FRANK NARDULLI is a speedy safety man on defense for Colgate.



Cherubini, 225, from tackle to center, along with fullback Joe Ryan. He'll go with sophomore tackles, Eddie Michaels Jr., son of Villanova's first All-America, and Donato Luzzi. Ends Pete Cassidy, Pat Haley and Van Injaian, guards Mike Flynn and George Karras provide reserve strength.

BUCKNELL—From the disastrous (1-8) 1953 campaign, the Thundering Herd charged back to 6-2 season and the mythical Middle Six title. Included was a singular 48-46 victory over Lehigh. Harry Lawrence, however, doesn't get time to rejoice. He lost his entire line. His new one will be thin in reserves. He finds himself with an experienced backfield, two and three deep. Fullback Bob Ford, sixth in rushing in the East, will spearhead Split-T and T attack, teaming again with tall quarterback Ron Hendricks, and halfbacks Bob Sierer and Dick McCartney. They are the only holdover regulars among nine lettermen.

Sophomore Chuck Wagner, speediest on squad and elusive, too, can break into veteran quartet if he learns defense.

Adding lines to the coach's furrowed brow is addition of Harvard and big-league Miami of Florida.

"Toughest schedule since World War II," remarks Lawrence, "and we're still trying to formulate a line after Spring practice. Our backs, I admit, are very good, but they've got to have cooperation from a line to look good."

Hopeful of giving the backs that cooperation are ends Bill Reilly and Dave Wallis, tackles Joe Brune and Ralph Riker, guards John Michalski and Art Kinney and center George Wolfe. All are squad members one or two years.

LAFAYETTE—The Leopards, with their best squad in five years, were not noted for their consistency in 1954. They went down and up through a 4-5 campaign and got together at last in their finale against ancient-foe Lehigh, whom they smashed, 46 to 0.

Ten of the 14 linemen on the first two teams are gone, however, along with two quarterbacks.

This tempers Steve Hokuf's outlook. He has the makings of a solid offensive backfield among 15 lettermen, with quarterback George Bartlett, halfbacks Norm Dion and Bryan Satterlee, his big runner, and fullback Dan McCarthy. All seniors, they are playing their third varsity year together. They clicked as sophomores in helping the Leopards to their only winning season in six years. They operate out of the T and Split-T. Satterlee adds to his running threat by throwing an effective pass. McCarthy is a strong bucker and shines on defense.

The only regulars left on the line, however, are tackle Bob Fyvie, 6-5, 225, who is active and performs well both on offense and defense, and end Jack Burcin. Big Don Sayenga, converted from halfback, will go at end, and a former end, Bob Brougher is at guard, paired with Jack Burcin's brother Bob. Skip Ellison, who understudied Russ Hedden, moves up to center, and Dahms probably will play other tackle post.

Of the sophomores the word from Easton, Pa., is that none figures to break into the lineup until later in the season. Despite all-senior backfield, the decimation among linemen prompts pessimistic belief that the Leopards will be underdogs in every game.

LEHIGH—Bill Leckonby becomes the first tenyear coach in Engineers' gridiron history. He looks back nostalgically five years to only all-winning team Lehigh ever had while he hopes for slight improvement over most recent 2-5-2 season.

With a skimpy list of eight lettermen, the main task is replacement of two three-year backs, quarterback Tom Gloede and fullback Harry Stotz, and development of new tackles. Sophomore talent will carry a big load.

If sophomore Dan Nolan makes the varsity grade in Gloede's spot, the backfield will be more experienced and have more versatility than in past two losing campaigns. Bob Naylor at left half is good runner and pass-catcher. Bob Carrasquillo is only other backfield letterman but returning squad men

JOHN OBERG, Delaware fullback, cracks Connecticut line on way to touchdown. Oberg is one of key men as Blue Hens look forward to another great grid season.

BILL GATYAS, ace at quarterback for Rutgers.





include fullback Bill Way, halfbacks Titus Puck and Charley Rust. Of 23 backs, 15 are sophomores.

There's more experience on the line. Tommy Faillace heads a strong end squad and other veterans include end Austin Short, tackle Bill Brady, guards Bruno Pagnani and Louis Principe and center Alex Maslowsky. Tackle Llewellyn Williams, 215, is leading a sophomore charge on the starting berths. Other promising sophomores are listed among ends and centers.

TEMPLE—Big urban centers are not renowned for powerhouse football, viz., Philadelphia's Broad Street Owls. With 3-5 record behind them that included upset of Brown, they may have a lean year following departure of entire backfield, including Tex Robinson, also Larry Cardonick, All-State guard.

With only three holdover starters among ten lettermen, Al Kawal, in his seventh year, faces a shortage of backs and guards. He relies on tackle Duke Ponis, blocking star and place-kicker; shifty halfback Roy Geraci, 145-pounder who averaged 5 yards as sophomore; and center Leo Rutkoski, valuable linebacker, who has able aide in Carl Mikovich.

Returning servicemen are welcomed. End Jay Norman performed with Fort Belvoir, one of the better Army teams, while Lou Grandizio was a pre-Army starting tackle. They can strengthen line. Halfback Charlie Goodall and end Lonnie Staton are best of the sophomores.

Lineup also includes ends Tom King and Ron Howley, guards Herb Fisher and Nate Washington, quarterback Paul Dobransky, halfback Shelly Kolinsky and fullback Dick Steinberg or Carl Anderson. Kawal is happier about line prospects.

YANKEE CONFERENCE

MASSACHUSETTS—The Redmen bagged heap big scalp when they perpetrated historic ambush of Harvard at season's outset. But they were knocked off in turn in their own league, settling for 1-3 Yankee Conference mark and 4-4 on season. At that, Charlie O'Rourke, famed Boston College and Chicago Bears' quarterback, made real progress from previous year when he won only one.

"Potentially this is the best team I've had," is O'Rourke's estimate of his fourth year. "We are short on experience and maturity with 37 sophomores on 65-man squad, but we have speed and depth as never before."

Employing alternating units in T and Split-T, O'Rourke lost virtually one whole team, kept another. Outstandinng are left half Don Johnson, triple-threat bidder for Little All-America, particularly as a runner, and junior quarterbacks John Noble and Tommy Whalen. Re-eligible after transfer from Middlebury is end Bill Allen, who was MVP in Green Mountain Conference.

Other seasoned men in fast backfield are Roger Barous and Hal Bower, both shifting from half to fullback, and halfback Dick Wright. Despite loss



BOB FORD, 6th in East in rushing, scoring 9 tds., is Bucknell fullback star.



DON McCOMB, 6-5 end, snares share of passes for Villanova Wildcats.

of four leading tackles, the line shapes up as formidable unit. Pass-receiving ends Dave Ingram and Russ Kidd complement strong passing game. Center John McGowan steadies line which has tackles Joe Cardello, 245, and Frank Spriggs, 215; guards Jim Ruberti and Jim Dolan. Top sophomores are end Bob DeValle, quarterback Ronnie Blume and halfbacks Dick Thompson and Bill MacLean

Noteworthy item: the entire football squad hails from home state. What other state university can match that?

NEW HAMPSHIRE—The White Mountain Wildcats hit their peak last year under Clarence (Chief) Boston, a 7-1 season in which they lost by one touchdown, were an unbeaten (4-0) winner of the Yankee Conference title and a terror in their league.

Billy Pappas, three-year quarterback, a fine passer and twice All-Conference, will have to be replaced. Don Hanak is tapped for the job. Everyone but the center is gone from the line.

It probably follows that victories will come more difficult, but the Wildcats are not without resources. They'll have a useful ball-carrying corps in half-backs Ted Wright and Dick Gleason and fullback Marcel Couture, all of whom averaged 7 yards or more and are as good as any in New England, in Durham's eyes.

Center Jim Walker, only veteran holdover in the line, is also highly rated. Most of his new mates lettered. They are tackles Alton Amidon and Wes Pietkiewicz and guards Billy Hall and Ed Murphy. But ends Phil Montageno, 217, and Bill Leonard are green hands.

Sophomore backs Lenny Harris and Bob Ackroyd and guard Milton Pappas help brighten the coach's outlook, Hoss Verry, 1953 varsity tackle and district heavyweight champion, may return.

With seasoned runners but unsure of his passing from Hanak, Boston may veer from Army-style or Blaik T to the extent of splits in the line.

RHODE ISLAND—After three big years (won 19, lost 5) that included two victories over Brown, the



DUKE PONIS, top blocker and tackler on Owl squad, also place-kicks and kicks off for Temple eleven.



DAN McCARTHY, 200, packs power and drive on both offense and defense as fullback for Lafayette

Rams figure to pull in their horns in a rebuilding year though they hope to repeat second place in Yankee Conference. Main reason for altered outlook is graduation of workhorse halfback Pat Abruzzi, 204 (now with Montreal Alouettes) and several members of New England's beefiest line, chiefly Dick Grann, 245.

No wonder Hal Kopp calls this a critical year at Kingston. He's playing a full conference slate, facing all other state universities in New England. His line won't be exactly anemic; it will be strong from tackle to tackle, though deficient in experienced reserves. Ends again may be sub-par, an old complaint.

Key back is Ed Simone, left half, who supplanted Abruzzi as team's leading scorer, ground-gainer and breakaway runner. He will steady new backfield consisting of halfback Bill Montanaro, fullback John Leach and quarterback Bob Sammartino, a sophomore with T-formation reputation though he played no freshman ball. Jim Warren is another quarterback.

Tackle Charlie Gibbons, who broke his leg on season's first play, looks forward to good year on a line that has tackle Bob Novelli, guard Paul Fitzgerald, centers John O'Leary and Chuck Hunt, ends Bill Sheedy, Dick Gourley and Pete Dalpe.

MAINE—Despite graduation of entire interior line, tackle to tackle, Hal Westerman's Black Bears are well equipped to defend their Maine Intercollegiate AA title in round-robin windup of season. Winning the Yankee Conference title in the first month of play, however, will depend on progress of tackles Douglas and Provencher, guards Cole and Merrifield and center Martin.

Of 21 lettermen, eight rated as regulars. Strength of the team is in its backfield, manned by quarter-back Duffy, halfbacks Edgar and Hostetter, who is

exceptionally swift, and rugged fullback Small. Ends Boucher and Cooper are experienced. Cooper is big and agile.

connecticut—More speed is welcomed, particularly among his sophomore backs, by Bob Ingalls, whose UConns won only once in nine starts. They figure to be in too deep with such as Yale, Boston U., Holy Cross and Delaware, but hope that 17 lettermen (four regulars), plus newcomers, can meet conference opposition on more even terms. The freshmen won four of their five games.

Fullback Buddy Amendola, 204, who broke his leg in pre-season scrimmage a year ago, gets to play one more season as a result of his accident. He'll have pass-catching halfback Frank Mirabello and quarterback Jim DiGiorno as seasoned mates, and sophomore quarterback Harry Drivas to spark winged-T drive. Other promising newcomers are halfbacks Gene King and Gerry Dooling.

With only four regulars remaining, not much can be told of starting lineup. Leading candidates number end Bill Boehle and four tackles, Henry Bazon, Mario Bertolini, Ed Enos and Norm Gerber, among the veterans; end Ron Vernet and guard Lou Mooridian among sophomores.

VERMONT—Ed Donnelly, who took over winless Catamounts and, in three years, coached them to highly satisfying 5-1-1 mark last season, has a rebuilding job on his hands. He lost most of his line, quarterback Mike Semans, who set Vermont's passing records, and fullback Ed Nemer.

However, 12 lettermen include such useful operators as the halfbacks, Eddie Beck, who led the team in scoring, rushing, runbacks and pass-receiving and was voted all-New England, and Al Mc-Lam, who strongly supported Beck and did the punting.

Nucleus of line consists of ends John Galascione, Art Solomon and Lew Reische, who performed well; guards Leroy Williams and Ken Kurjiaka and tackle Paul Harisimowicz. Other leading candidates include guard Harry Baumann, tackle John Duffy and end Bill Farwell.

From unbeaten freshman team which won three comes quarterbacks Tom Tierney and Dick White, backs Frank Caruso, Gerry Herlihy and Marty Johnson and linemen Charlie Collins, John Curran, Pete George, Jim Dunn, Bing Gilbert, Norm Harper and Bob Holenstein. They could help move Green Mountain Boys up in Yankee Conference.

MAINE CONFERENCE

BATES—Bob Hatch, who took a Sabbatical in the Spring semester and eschewed Spring drills, will have a more experienced squad of Bobcats than usual, for he had only four seniors on 1954 squad that posted 2-4-1 record. With enrollment of 450, Bates plays freshmen on its varsity.

The Bobcats, who finished runner-up to Maine in the State series, shape up as the only one in Pine Tree foursome who can threaten the champions. The outlook is somewhat brighter owing to large number of lettermen.

Outstanding are George "Pete" Stevens, ex-V.P.I. player, who is considered one of the top guards in that part of the country, and halfback Bob Martin, who broke in as freshman last year.

COLBY—Following two 2-5 seasons, Frank Maze reports "our team should be improved; we can better our record if our spirit is as good as last year's." Five regulars among 12 lettermen provide basis for coachly hope. Left half Neil Stinneford, selected as All-Maine halfback in sophomore year with a 5-yard average rush; end Tom Collins, expert pass receiver; senior tackle Jim Higgins, 200; and guard Barkev Boole, who shines on defense, loom as standouts.

Other likely starters include quarterback Richard Merriman, halfback Ron Rasmussen and fullback Lee Mathieu; end Bill Saladino, tackle Jerry D'Amico, sophomore guard Dale Patchell and center Don George. Felix Suchecki, who has speed, is best of sophomore backs. The Mules like their starting backfield.

BOWDOIN—For the first time in his 20 years at Brunswick, Me., Adam Walsh, the old Notre Dame center, had a win-less season in 1954. It wasn't unexpected. "Poorest outlook in years; we'll be lucky to win any," Walsh had predicted. He wasn't just practicing coachly restraint.

"A small college like ours (750 students) with no athletic scholarships at all must depend on freshman talent," says Walsh. "We had none the previous two years. Our chances for 1955, with the same seven opponents, are not appreciably better, no team speed, weak offense and defense. However, if we're lucky we may win two. We have three sophomores who can step in and help us."

The trio consists of quarterback Brud Stover, good passer, punter and ball-handler for T attack with splits, center Dick Michelson and tackle Ted Gibbons, whose father was an outstanding player. Holdovers who stand out among eleven lettermen are tackle Steve McCabe, back Dick Drenzek and end Al Murray. Despite some speculation that Maine State round-robin may break up because Maine is too big and a perennial power, Polar Bears want to maintain old rivalry.

DICK GLEASON, senior halfback with 7-yard average, booms New Hampshire title defense hopes.



LITTLE THREE

AMHERST—John McLaughry, successful son of Tuss, doesn't have the two-team depth and experience which made the Sabrinas a power in their Little Three and New England set in recent years—unbeaten in 1953 and 6-2 last year, ten points away from another unbeaten season. Though the Lord Jeffs have eight lettermen, only one holdover from starting eleven, the drop will not be drastic. They'll shift from Split T to Winged T.

"Our line, tackle to tackle, should be excellent, particularly on defense," notes McLaughry. "We're good at the halfback positions. We're looking for ends, however, and another quarterback."

Harry Steuber, 225, very fast and aggressive, had three years of service football and looms as one of the East's best tackles. Bob King, a strong line-backer, is a fine all-around center. James Jenkins and William Manly, the halfbacks, provide the strength of the backfield, which has George Mathewson at quarter and James Connors at full. Oscar Korrell, 1951-52 letterman, back, returning from the Marines, may shift to end to fortify a weakness there. Don Moores, 208, out of college a year, figures to break into the lineup. Moving up is Tom Gorman, leading sophomore halfback.

Other good talent from 1954 reserves who will make varsity are end Ben Iannotta, tackle John Waldo, guards Bob Flemma and Warren White.

WILLIAMS—For a college accustomed to a steady parade of winning seasons under Len Watters, the Purple met unexpected disaster last year, losing seven of eight.

"There will be steady improvement over 1954," promises Watters. You can count on it.

He has 18 lettermen, eight of them accorded regular status. Eight others were part-time starters. Despite number of holdovers, four sophomores are listed as likely starters. They are tackle Karl Schoeller and center Gary Shortlidge, quarterback Dan Rorke and fullback Matt Donner. Three other sophomores, halfbacks Bob Iverson and Whitey Kaufmann and fullback Joel Potter, rate on a par with leaders. They will spark Split-T attack which was slow to develop and sputtered rest of the way.

Watters is hopeful of exceptional performances

DON JOHNSON, triple-threat bidder for Little All-America, is outstanding back at Massachusetts.



from right half Tim Hanan, end Ed Lauben and guard Mike Rakov. Other veterans number guard Don O'Brien, tackle Rich O'Toole, end Rupe Lowe and backs Jeff Smythe, Dick Fearon and Marv Weinstein. Fullback, ends and guards are strong spots; quarterback and tackles need attention.

WESLEYAN—A large crop of sophomores, among them quarterback Tim MacAlaine, halfback Jim Eglin and lineman Larry Marshall, and seven holdover regulars led by ace halfback Denny Denault add considerable brightness to the Cardinal outlook.

While Norm Daniels (3-5 last year) rejoices in three-deep backfield, which also boasts quarter-back Rick Francis, who can throw the long pass, fullback Norm Wissing and halfback Sandy Schner, he would like more muscle on his line. His new line coach will have a big job right off, particularly working with center and ends.

Strongest veterans on line, Frank Avantaggio and John MacFarlane, play at guard. Tackles are Jack Corrodi and Fred Boynton, the ends Newell Davis and Ken travis, while Ron Benson better figure on going 60 minutes at center.

OTHER INDEPENDENTS

TRINITY—With a squad that started with only three holdover regulars and four other lettermen, Dan Jessee emerged with historic all-winning season in his 23rd year at Hartford.

"We had a fine season and we have most of our regulars (nine) back," notes Jessee. "But we'll be lucky indeed if we can complete another season without defeat. In our league, competition is so keen that almost every game is a toss-up."

Nevertheless, the prospects are rosy. Fullback Charley Sticka, 195, who once contemplated transfer to Notre Dame, averaged 86 yards a game and has gained close to 1,600 yards in two seasons. He powers a quartet that has Bob Alexander at quarter, George Kelleher at left half and Dick Nissi at right half. They give Jessee a balanced Split-T attack, inside, outside and airborne.

Established line, with only one change at tackle, has Felix Karsky and Sam Niness at end, Vin Bruno and Jerry Channel at tackle, Kimball Shaw and Ed Campbell at guard, and Ray Aramini at center. Sophomores trying to break in here are tackles Bob Couture and Roger Leclerc (also a center).

Defensive end play and diminishing turnout for football are Jessee's concerns.

BRANDEIS—Playing their first year without freshmen, the Judges, in their sixth year, will get additions to squad only from armed forces. Benny Friedman looks for help from four returning servicemen, particularly quarterback Jim Stehlin, an effective passer two years ago who has not played defense. Tackle Larry Glaser, a likely starter, and halfbacks Dick Cunningham and Edgar Waldron, a good blocker, also return.

The former Michigan All-America quarterback

lost his passer, Tommy Egan, and catcher, Bill Mc-Kenna, whom Friedman rated as the best small-college battery in the nation. Benny always figures he can make a passer, but replacing McKenna will not be as easy. Ends Paul Martineau and Joe Macedo qualify on defense but they didn't get a chance to show on offense.

Others on first team include tackle Charlie Napoli, guards Dick Baldacci and Harold Appel, center Bill Orman, halfbacks Don Aikens and Gerry Callagy and fullback Maury Stein. The Judges eye stronger running game from T and spreads. They concede power to Boston College in opener, but won't concede to anyone else if they can stiffen defense.

ROCHESTER—With six regulars among 15 lettermen. Elmer Burnham foresees "about the same strength as last year" when UR posted a 5-2 record. Left half Dick Devereaux, leading runner and steady on defense, and fullback Santandrea provide experience in backfield.

Sophomore Meyers steps in at quarterback, with Schudell tapped for right half.

Except for center Bruce McPherson, most of the starting line returns. The Keller twins who manned the guards are now cheek by jowl. Tom moved to center, Bill remains at left guard. Barron, capable both ways, will be other guard. Rounding out the line are tackles Nagle and Falsetti, ends Spofford and Stampfli.

Sophomore Miller adds strength to guard department. Ends shape up as good, too.

KING'S COLLEGE—Jim Moran and Bernie Millham, in their fourth year as co-coaches, will have pretty much their whole squad back intact, with only two regulars gone. Bernie Koval, who threw eight touchdown passes with varsity in his freshman year, will quarterback young unit that has Bob Troiani and Jim Gorman at halfbacks and Nick Charnichko at full, all rated good runners though fullback scales a slender 166. Backfield has depth.

Guard Bob Mahoney, best on defense, looms as standout of line which is fortified in middle. Other starters figure to be ends Ted Smith and Con Adamchak, tackles Carl Gulbish and Cas Ruda, guard Marty Roche and center Jim Florek. Newly eligible are center John Snyder and halfback Al Gresh, returning from Army, center Tom Phillips and guard Ron Iwicki.

Offensive play of ends and development of tackles are main coaching problems.

SCRANTON—Pete Carlesimo, in his 14th year, won't have long to wait for an answer to his Royals' chances of bettering last year's 5-2 mark. They encounter their 1954 conquerors in the first two games.

Ten lettermen and other reserves are on hand. Entire starting backfield departed, including Jim Lavery, who set most of Scranton's scoring and gaining records. Re-instituted Spring drills helped

STREET AND SMITH'S FOOTBALL

alleviate Carlesimo's worry over green squad, but he is still looking for another quarterback to help Vic Vassil. This spot is cited as his chief problem. Rest of backfield has Dan Stankiewicz and Sam Capitano and fullback Clem Russavage.

Starting line shapes up as somewhat stronger. Ends are Mike Galli and Hubie Graham, tackles Bill Hollenback and Hugo Murazzi, guards Ray Oncay and John Roman and center Joe Wycallis. Oncay and Wycallis made fine progress as sophs.

MIDDLEBURY—The Panthers, it seems, have an annual problem in organizing a new line. Duke Nelson licked it last year when he came up with a 4-2-2 record after two losing seasons, but loss of big George Limbach and Dick Baxter, ends, and Hal Higgins, 60-minute tackle, among seven departing regulars, leaves him with the same problem.

Five positions on line are wide open, with only two regulars available.

Roger Tirone, hard-working strong fullback, will carry brunt of attack and will find things tough behind green line. He was leading ground-gainer and has vast determination. Despite loss of Dick Makin, Nelson sees strength at tailback, too, for his Single-Wing offense.

HOFSTRA—In four years the Dutchmen of Long Island have moved along at a steady clip, with a record of 28-7-1. Injuries are always a bugaboo at a small college with limited personnel, but with good fortune Howdy Myers looks for another sound team.

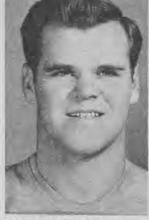
Howdy has 14 lettermen, seven regulars, for his Split-T attack. Quarterback Bill Nichel, who passes, runs and kicks above average, will have aid from halfbacks George Kandiloros, fine runner, and Frank Moretti, a rapid sophomore, and veteran fullback Paul Provenzano.

Supported by a good crop of sophomore linemen, the forwards include ends Cliff Coughlin and Mike Russo, tackles Joe Pontrello and Bill Cornelius, guards Jack Fahey and Pete Damone and center Bob Collins. Guards and ends shape up as strongest. Jim Condon, outstanding lineman of '52 freshman squad, is back from service.

FRANKLIN & MARSHALL—One of his best freshman crops in years prompts Woody Sponaugle to predict "a slight improvement over last year's 3-5 record; we have lost some air strength but our ground attack should be greatly improved and our team speed will be better."

Halfbacks Carl Druckenbrod and Carl Blair provide a goodly portion of that greater speed. They'll probably team with fullback Maurice Blose and quarterback Jay Powell in backfield. Ticketed for line berths are ends Larry Young and Dick Pohner, tackles Jim Bean and Joe Kuehn, guards Jim Neese and John Wentzel and center Dick Hamilton. Six starters remain among 14 lettermen.

Best of the sophomores are end Bob Herring, guard Charlie Havens who made a big reputation



BOB MAHONEY, King's College guard, looms standout on strong line.



SAM CAPITANO, halfback, gives Scranton's grid attack inside power.

at Westminster, Md., High, and backs Dick Wright and Bob Souders.

BUFFALO—There's new hope and spirit among the Bulls, who have won only four games in three years. Dr. Clifford C. Furnas, a sports-minded chancellor newly arrived on the campus, decreed a five-year plan designed to make the Bulls more respectable athletically. Dick Offenhamer, former successful high school coach and freshman coach at his alma mater, Colgate, heads a new staff. Fifty turned out for Spring drills where only 20 suited up for games last year.

With little sophomore talent available, the change for the better will be gradual. Offenhamer, however, has organized two backfields for his new Split-T attack, though size is lacking. He sees some strength at end, but the interior line will be undermanned.

RENSSELAER POLY—The Engineers of R.P.I. are starting from scratch. They lost all eight games last year, and halfback Willie Lick, quarterbacks Dick Maher and Jay Hamilton and end Joel Godston who stood out on winless team have departed, along with Coach Nick Skorich.

The new coach will find six regulars remaining for a nucleus. His rebuilding task is heavy. Many 1954 freshmen failed to make the academic grade.

US MERCHANT MARINE ACADEMY — Coach Clem Stralka, former pro Redskins line star, can field a veteran first team at Kings Point, N. Y.

Returning from the team that was 5 and 3 last year are: Ends Frank DeScisciolo, a good receiver, and Dan Carpenter, Academy boxing champ. Each stands six feet and weighs 180. Tackles Bill Snowden, 6-2 and 215, and Ray Kruse join veteran guards Hugh O'Connor and George Jenkins in the middle of the line. Captain Jim Lockwood will handle the pivot post.

The backfield boasts three good signal callers who are also capable passers—Ed Orski, Hank Schroeder and Pat Anderson. Rod Alvarado, 5-10 and 170, and Tom Chimento, a sprinter on the track squad, will be used either at fullback or halfback. The other halfback post will be filled by Jack Lipscomb.



BOB PELLEGRINI, Maryland All-America, halts Clemson threat with interception. Terp 225-pound center is one of country's outstanding line-backers.



BOB PASCAL, Duke back, averaged 5.2 yards per carry last season.





FRANK TAMBURELLO, Maryland quarterback, is a superb passer, elusive runner and clever tactician.



BILL WALKER, senior wing, ranks among best in land at his position.



ED HEURING, left tackle, is part of speedy, wellstocked Terp front line.



JACK DAVIS, after great soph year, assures mid-line strength for Maryland at guard post.





SONNY JORGENSEN steps into field general role for Duke title bid.





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Atlantic Coast and Southern

MARYLAND-DUKE ACC TITLE DUEL LOOMS KEY TO NATIONAL RANKINGS

PREDICTIONS

Atlantic Coast

- 1. Maryland
- 2. Duke
- 3. Clemson
- 4. Virginia
- 5. North Carolina
- 6. N. C. State
- 7. South Carolina
- 8. Wake Forest

Southern

- 1. West Virginia
- 2. Virginia Tech
- 3. Davidson
- 4. Furman
- a. Pullian
- 5. George Washington
- 6. Richmond
- 7. William & Mary
- 8. Virginia Military
- 9. Citadel
- 10. Washington & Lee

U. S. MARINE CORPS

MURDEROUS Maryland and devilish Duke, cofavorites to share the unofficial championship of the Atlantic Coast Conference, are sure to compare favorably with the nation's football elite in 1955. Maryland, twice-beaten and once-tied a year ago, looks more powerful than ever with an aggregation Coach Jim Tatum calls the greatest he has produced at College Park.

Duke's daring young Blue Devils bowed only to Army and Navy on their way to winning the Orange Bowl Classic from Nebraska last New Year's, and Coach Bill Murray expects another formidable eleven. Duke was unofficial loop titleholder last year with an undefeated league record. A tie with Wake Forest cost Maryland a chance to share the laurels.

Although no title cake will be sliced up officially until member schools begin playing full conference schedules a year hence, Maryland and Duke are the leading bets to finish atop the three-year-old ACC and land in the Orange Bowl opposite the Big Seven representative.

Duke has a unique schedule which features the champions of last New Year's major bowl games. It includes Ohio State, Rose Bowl winner; Navy, Sugar Bowl champion; and Georgia Tech, triumphant in the Cotton Bowl. To make it complete, Duke won the Orange Bowl game. It's probably the first time in history the winners of the four major bowls appeared on the same schedule the following year.

Over in the 10-member Southern Conference, a two-horse scrap shapes up between West Virginia's Mountaineers and the Gobblers of Virginia Tech. A surprising tie with William and Mary prevented the Gobblers from sharing the loop flag with West Virginia last year.

Furman and Citadel are rebuilding under new head coaches—Homer Hobbs and John Sauer, respectively.

Quarterback Frank Tamburello of Maryland, halfback Bob Pascal of Duke, fullback Jim Bakhtiar of Virginia, quarterback Freddy Wyant of West Virginia and halfback George Marinkov of N. C. State are top backs in the two conferences.

Tackle Bob Bartholomew of Wake Forest, center Bob Pellegrini of Maryland, guard John Polzer of Virginia, center George Stavnitski of North Carolina and end Bill Walker of Maryland are linemen worthy of all-star votes.

With fewer established college and professional stars going into service, Army and Marine posts in the Southern sector knew little about their football personnel until they counted noses in September. Quantico, Va., lost most of its Marine talent of last season to Camp LeJeune, N. C., and Parris Island, S. C., both Marine Corps bases. Quantico posted a 10-2 record last year. Another Marine post, Cherry Point, N. C., has cancelled its so-called varsity athletic program in favor of intramurals.

Bolling Air Force at Washington, D. C., is a service unit to watch. It expects to have Johnny Lattner and Menial Marvarides of Notre Dame fame and Tommy O'Connell of Illinois to build around. Camp LeJeune and Parris Island also should be tough nuts to crack. Army posts at Fort Jackson, S. C., and Fort Lee, Va., will bear watching.

ATLANTIC COAST CONFERENCE

MARYLAND—After suffering defeats at the hands of UCLA and Miami and a 13-13 tie with Wake Forest, Coach Jim Tatum dismantled and rebuilt his Terrapins into a murderous football machine in mid-season. The 74-13 slaughter of Missouri in the season's finale before a nationwide television audience served notice of what to expect from the terrible Terps.

Tatum readily confesses "the 1955 team should be my greatest at Maryland." Although the Maryland mentor lost his starting backfield, Frank Tamburello, the sophomore whiz who stepped into the quarterback slot and ignited the spark which carried the team to one-sided victories down the stretch, picks up where he left off to direct the new offensive operations.

Tamburello, 185-pounder from Baltimore, has the skill and poise of a veteran. Almost an exact carbon copy of Bernie Faloney, Terp All-America quarterback of two years ago, Tamburello is a tremendous runner, a smart play caller and a deadly aerial artist. Defensively, he's super-duper, being the team's best tackler in the secondary. He also led in pass interceptions. If anything should happen to Tamburello, Lynn Beightol, crack junior, is ready to step into the picture.

Coach Tatum's No. 2 backfield of last year moves into the starting role. Ed Vereb and Howie Dare are at halves and Tom Selep at full. There's a wealth of talent behind them. A real firebrand sophomore sensation is Fred Hamilton, who may wind up in the regular backfield.

The forward wall is the fastest afoot, both offensively and defensively, in Tatum's nine years at Maryland. There is veteran personnel up front at each position since All-America candidate Bob Pellegrini was switched from guard to center. The line has tremendous size as well as speed. With the 225-pound Pellegrini at the pivot and two exceptional guards in Gene Dyson and Jack Davis, the middle of the line packs a knockout punch.

There is depth aplenty all along the line. Ed Heuring and Al Wharton are outstanding boys at left tackle, and Mike Sandusky, Joe Lazzarino, Don Healy, Tom Stefl and John Uzick handle the

WINGO AVERY, 220 center, brings senior savvy to Clemson line.

DON KING hands off to JOEL WELLS as they polish up lightning Clemson Tigers grid attack.



right side. Bill Walker, another All-America possibility, returns for his senior season at end. Two-year lettermen Jim Parsons and Tim Flynn support him. The veteran Russell Dennis is at left end, followed by juniors Dick Porter and Gene Waters and soph stickout Bill Turner.

DUKE—The absence of four starting linemen and quarterback Jerry Barger, voted outstanding player in the ACC, faces Coach Bill Murray as he readies his fifth edition of the Big Blue. There is an abundance of talent but lack of experienced depth could prove costly.

Backs are a dime a dozen on the Methodist Flats. Bouncing Bob Pascal, a third team A. P. All-America selection, and Bernie Blaney, scatback with lightning in his heels, can run with the best. Blaney averaged 6.6 yards per carry his rookie campaign and Pascal reeled off 561 yards in 107 rushes for a 5.2 average as a junior. Ed Post, Fred Beasley and Nick Kredich can get lost in a hurry. Bull-dozing Bryant Aldridge, who amassed 504 yards in 96 carries to match Pascal's 5.2 average, will find some keen competition in a highly-touted sophomore, Harold McElhaney, thunderous fullback who has greatness written all over him.

Red-headed Sonny Jurgensen, 200-pound understudy to Barger, holds the key to any success Duke enjoys. The rugged Jurgensen, a cool customer with a lot of football savvy in relief roles as a sophomore, may be just what the doctor ordered to keep the Blue Devils in the gridiron limelight. Soph Bob Brodhead was a quarterback standout in off-season drills.

Although the line will be heavier and more durable, it doesn't possess the speed and experience of last year's forward wall. Jesse Birchfield and Sonny Sorrell, at guard and end, respectively, are three-year regulars. Doug Knotts, last of four Knotts to play at Duke, begins his second year at tackle. Sorrell, at 178 pounds, is the most end for his size in the country.

A tipoff on Duke's backfield strength and the problem at end was revealed when Buddy Bass, hard-hitting halfback regular as a sophomore, bobbed up at end in Spring drills. The team's leading pass receiver last year, Bass adds strength on the flanks. Lettermen Bob Benson and Jerry Kocourek are in reserve.

Senior Sid DeLoatch, 203-pound letter-winning reserve, is Knotts' running mate at tackle. Holdovers Dan Cox, 215, and Milt Konicek, 235, are also available. At guard, W. D. Fesperman, 217-pound reserve, gets the starting call with Birchfield. Charlie Klinger, Jim Nelson and Marty Rose, lettermen all, and newcomers Buddy Stanley and Johnny Madden anxious to strut their talents. Blond Ronnie Falls, understudy to dependable Johnny Palmer last year, is the only center with any game experience.

CLEMSON—Here's a sleeping football giant! The Tigers, anything but ferocious the last few years, have sprouted new fangs. Coach Frank Howard's Clemson squad could turn out to be a band of claw-

ing Tigers. With a little luck in the injury department and a few game breaks Clemson might emerge a real darkhorse threat.

Don King, brilliant all-around quarterback, and Joel Wells, breakaway flash, give the Tigers offensive lightning. King has strong support in Charlie Bussey, a sweet ball-handler. Wells' partner at halfback will be fleet Joe Coleman, who matched Wells' 4.8 average per carry last year. Bob Spooner, sophomore fullback, was the real surprise of Spring drills. A 205-pounder with speed to burn, Spooner may beat out holdovers Bill O'Dell and Neuf Ankuta.

Center Wingo Avery, guard Dick DeSimone and tackle Dick Marazza are experienced hands. Soph Donnie Bunton is another sterling prospect at pivot. Lettermen Buck Priester teams with DeSimone and Marazza's running mate is B. C. Inabinet. Bill Hudson is another tackle stalwart. Ends Walt Laraway, Willie Smith, Joe Bowen and Pete Wall are among 21 lettermen on the squad.

VIRGINA—"The personnel of our 1955 squad is as good as any we have had since I came to Virginia nine years ago," admits Coach Ned McDonald. "All we have to do is unravel the secret of winning." There are 29 sophomores pushing 26 lettermen for jobs and this spirited competition is sure to make the Cavaliers more formidable.

Big Jim Bakhtiar, 198-pound battering ram, is being hailed as Virginia's fabulous sophomore after he averaged 150 yards per game rushing for the 1954 freshmen. Two other sophs, halfback Kelly Buskell and quarterback Ken Mauck are future stars. Rives Bailey is a seasoned quarterback and Herb Hartwell and Ronnie Jenkins are experienced halfbacks.

John Polzer, an All-Conference choice, is generally considered to be one of the two finest guards in Virginia football history. The other one was Joe Palumbo, 1951 All-America. Polzer, 210-pound senior, is a tower of strength in the forward wall. Frank Fannon, Jay Corson and Jim St. Clair are veteran guards. Don Kovach is the top candidate of three lettermen centers. Henry Jordan, 225, and Jim Elekes, 222, return to man the tackles. Jesse Hagy, Bob Gunderman, Tucker McLaughlin, Jim Moyer and Bob Pogue earned letters at end.

NORTH CAROLINA—Coach George Barclay has some willing workers returning and some solid sophomores coming up, but one glance at the schedule would cause any coach to shudder. The Tar Heels open with Oklahoma at Chapel Hill and then come Maryland, Notre Dame, Georgia and Tennessee not to mention arch rivals Duke, Virginia, N. C. State, South Carolina and Wake Forest.

But Coach Barclay, who survived alumni fire after last year 4-5-1 record, is more determined than ever to make a better showing in the third season of his three-year contract. He still doesn't have a proven quarterback. Untried sophomores must supply the bench strength. Center George Stavnitski, a rock-'em, sock-'em cookie, anchors a holdover line which comprises Will Frye and Nor-

man Lane at ends, Jack Maultsby and Roland Perdue at tackles and Bill Koman and John Jones at guards.

Ken Keller and Ed Sutton, a couple of highstepping halfbacks, have defensive weaknesses. Len Bullock, a senior, has the inside track at serving T. Newcomers Buddy Sasser, Ronald Marquette and David Reed are other quarterback hopefuls. Rookies Howard Williams and Giles Gaca compete with Don Lear at the plunging spot. Joe Temple, hard-running halfback, and guard Jack Lineberger and end Buddy Payne are yearlings with varsity ambitions.

NORTH CAROLINA STATE—This campus is bubbling over with football enthusiasm after the Spring intra-squad game saw the Whites and Reds score almost at will to run up 75 points. Coach Earle Edwards has a lot of offense or not much defense. An eager squad of 65 men, largest in recent years, causes the coaching staff to rate the Wolfpack 50 per cent better than the 1954 team which won only two of 10 starts. Thirty rising sophomores will play a major role in the team's success. Twenty-one lettermen assure more experience.

Little George Marinkov, a bolt of football dynamite, was one of the most impressive speedsters in the South as a sophomore halfback. A real work-horse, the slippery 170-pounder returned 20 punts and kickoffs 551 yards, rushed 419 yards and

JOHN POLZER ranks as one of the best guards in Virginia grid annals.

JIM BAKHTIAR, a soph fullback, gave Cavalier grid hopes mighty boost by running wild as Frosh.







WILL FRYE, pass-snaring North Carolina end, is part of vet line for tough Tar Heel campaign.



GEORGE STAVNITSKI, the great NC center, is All-America prospect.

caught 14 passes for 108 yards. Dick Christy and Dick Hunter are sophomore flashes at halfback along with senior John Zubaty. Dependable Eddie West, a four-year man, is an experienced signal caller. If soph Tony Guerrieri and junior Harrison McKeever come through at fullback, the Wolfpack offense could live up to expectations.

The first team forward wall looks strong. Al D'Angelo and Mike Nardone, senior guards, and John Bagonis and John Szuchan, tackle veterans, pack a wallop in the center of the line where hold-over pivotman Dick Tonn has a fight on his hands from soph Jim Oddo. Henry Brown and Ronnie Gall, seasoned ends, are light but fast and hit hard.

south carolina—The Gamecocks have a dangerous backfield but the line was shot to pieces by graduation. Mackie Prickett, free-wheeling signal caller, has two mighty explosive pieces of football machinery in seniors Mike Caskey and Carl Brazell, who last year averaged 6.7 and 4.7 yards, respectively. Prickett took over the quarterback chores after the season started and was impressive as a sophomore. Bobby Barrett, swashbuckling soph, is the No. 1 fullback. Jack Hall, transfer from Georgia Tech, becomes eligible to assist Prickett.

End Joe Silas, guard Dick Covington and tackle Sam DeLuca represent the only holdover starters in the line. Hugh Bell earns a shot at pivot duties handled superbly the last three years by Leon Cunningham. Tackles Hugh Merck and Bob Schwartz, who missed Spring drills because of leg operations, figure prominently in plans for rebuilding the line. Rick Ericsson and Bill Weston are reserve holdovers at guard.

WAKE FOREST-If the Baptists can plug holes in

their secondary defense, Coach Tom Rogers will field an improved team. An experienced line anchored by tackle Bob Bartholomew, a one-man wrecking crew, should open the way for the backs to scamper.

Bartholomew, a truly outstanding lineman, is a vicious defensive stalwart. Rocky Littleton operates at the opposite tackle. Jack Ladner, an end, and Joe Dupree, at center, are other regulars. Lettermen guards include Tony Trentini, Mark Viola and Bo Claxton. A physical giant, 258-pound George Johnson, fast and aggressive rookie, could win a guard assignment.

Gerald Huth, regular guard last year, has been switched to fullback where he looked right at home in the Spring. Huth's competition comes from sophs Sal Marchese and Gordon Mann. Halfback holdovers are John Parham, Bill Barnes, Dick Daniels, Jack Behrmann and Dick Travagline. Senior Nick Consoles is a dependable quarterback blessed with a lot of football know-how and a sling shot throwing arm.

SOUTHERN CONFERENCE

WEST VIRGINIA—Southern Conference champions for the last two years, Coach Art Lewis' Mountaineers are favored to make it three in a row. Spearheaded by Freddy Wyant, the winningest quarterback in college football today, West Virginia faces the new campaign with a talented backfield and a big, bruising forward wall. Wyant, 195-pound senior, has quarterbacked the team to 23 wins in 26 starts since taking over the duties his freshman year.

Being a southpaw adds to his deception. Wyant directs a backfield which has Joe Marconi, 218-pound battering ram who averaged 6.6 yards last

BOB BARTHOLOMEW, Wake Forest tackle, was unanimous choice for All-ACC top eleven last year.



year, and speedy Bobby Moss, who had a 6.8 average. Jack Rabbits, Eddie Dugan and Ray Surbaugh are carry-over halfbacks. Sophs Ralph Anastasio, Ronnie Santicola, Jimmy Haught and Tom Houston can scat.

Sam Huff (221) and Bruce Bosley (222) are back for their fourth straight year of regular tackle duty. Junior Gene Lathey returns at guard, but there's a mad scramble for the other guard slot vacated by All-America Gene Lamone. Rookies Tom Domen (210) and Phil Messinger (193) are leading the race for graduated Chick Donaldson's pivot post. Joe Papetti, who sat out last season with an injury, strengthens the flanks.

VIRGINIA TECH—Coach Frank Moseley welcomes 23 lettermen from last year's unbeaten, once-tied aggregation and a flock of choice beef up from the frosh.

Ball-of-fire Dickie Beard, senior halfback, heads an explosive backfield. The 175-pounder was the conference's top rusher with 647 yards and a 5.5 average. Dave Ebert, with a 6.8 average, and Bobby Scruggs, who picked up 4.1 per carry, are slippery leather luggers. Don Divers and Hayes Burleson, with four-yard-plus averages, share the fullback job. Billy Cranwell and Don Camp operate at quarterback.

Tackle George Preas, guard Bill Kerfoot and end Tom Petty were key losses in the line. Holdover centers Jack Prater and John Hall are supported by four lettermen guards, five tackles and four ends. Ben Schmidt, a guard, and Ronnie Hawks, an end, are newcomers making determined bids. Other topnotch sophs are end Bill Tilling, guard Pat Carpenito and halfbacks Bobby Conner and Corbin Bailey.

DAVIDSON—Last year's surprising sophomores have an added year of experience under their belts, giving Coach Bill Dole reason to cheer. Dyke Little and Dick Belton direct a light but fast and sharp offense from the quarterback position. Harley Smith, something of a whiz in Spring practice tussle, switched from halfback to fullback to add striking power. Bill Rowland, Don Campbell, Don MacRee and Don Comer are lettermen ball car-

riers. Jim West and Mike Fennegan are slick firstyear runners.

If numbers mean anything, the line should hold its own. Bill Gramley, Tom Newton, Jim Patterson and Bob Campbell are key flank holdovers. Lyle Llewellyn, Tom Lee, Adair Hatch and Ken Lawing return at tackle. Lettermen guards Harold Davis and Tom Owen aren't far ahead of polished rookies Dave McLain and Diggs Gramley. Bill Price, Tal Broughton and Bill Abernathy represent experience at center.

FURMAN—A nucleus of 16 lettermen forms the backbone of the Purple Hurricane as it makes ready for its debut under new Coach Homer Hobbs. An all-veteran backfield with plenty of drive lists three seniors—quarterback Jim Boyle, halfback Gus Pringles and fullback Bob Dellinger. Soph Jerry Penland has pushed senior Johnny Popson out of the other halfback job.

Two sophomores, who won their varsity spurs as freshmen, have clinched end assignments. They are Dick Pfeifer and Sidney Maddox. Dave Young, Julian Freeman and Andy Bielecki are letterman tackles. Bob Jennings and Emil Reugner are experienced centers. Dale Hammel and John Marlow have the inside track to do guard duty.

GEORGE WASHINGTON—A more seasoned line should make the Colonials tougher than a year ago when they won only once. "We should have a much better team," explains Coach Eugene (Bo) Sherman. "We had a good backfield last year but a green line."

Fleet Len Ciemniecki, who averaged better than five yards per carry, is the backfield sparkplug. Claude Austin at line-plunging spot and Bobby Sturm at quarterback are holdovers. Bill Weaver and John Saffer are the halfbacks. Top line returnees include centers Dick Gaspari and Joe Hince, guards Ed Sakach, Bob Sutton and Bob Allwine, tackles John Posta, Dave Liddick and Bill McHenry and ends Paul Thompson and George Dancu. Newcomer stickouts include halfback Pete Spera and guards Ray Murray and George Solack.

RICHMOND —Coach Ed Merrick confidently predicts: "We have a stronger backfield and our first



MACKIE PRICKETT, the South Carolina Split T director, is an ace passer.

MIKE CASKEY, Gamecock back, piles up some of his 556 yards in '54 in upset win over Army.



string line is as strong as last year's. We expect to have our third winning season in a row."

Twenty-three lettermen, 11 in the backfield, are cause for optimism on the Old Dominion campus. There are experienced hands at every position except center. Veteran linemen are Phil Curley, Duke Thacker and Don Dziedzick, ends; Erik Christensen, Red Keville, Sherwood Frostick, Fred Everly and Joe Chase, tackles; Dave May, Don Hillegass, Orlando Orifice and Tom Berry, guards.

Quarterback Tom Theodose will be pressed for the second straight year by Jim Hoffman and Bill Reynolds. George Riggs, Lewis Wacker, Ralph Scarpo, Roland Evans and Ed Santoro can make fast tracks. Frank Pajaczkowski, who averaged better than six yards for 74 carries a year ago, is the line plunger. Understudies Jim Beck and Leon Tucker are breathing on his neck.

WILLIAM & MARY—"We are counting on both an improved offense and defense despite the loss of



FRED WYANT, West Virginia's brilliant quarterback, will spearhead attack for third SC title.

BRUCE BOSLEY heads for 4th year of stardom as Mountaineer tackle.



SAM HUFF also heads for 4th year of stardom as West Virginia tackle.



such men as Larry Fones, Jerry Sazio, Sam Scott, Charles Sumner, Walter Herrmann and Bob Hornsby," Coach Jack Freeman says. "The return from service of former stars Bob Lusk, All-Army center at Fort Lee, Va., and Walt Brodie, talented end, give us added strength. Improvement of some of our carry-overs should help."

Co-Capts. Al Grieco, a smart quarterback, and Bill Marfizo, crack end, top the 12 lettermen hold-overs. Twenty-three non-letter winning squadmen will get a chance to show their wares. Elliott Schaubach, who earned a letter as a freshman, will pair with Lusk at tackle. Lou Corbett, Tom Sydnor, Bill Tucker and John Brantley add punch at guard. Larry Peccatiello, Bill Riley and Aubrey Fitzgerald join Brodie at end. Bill Rush is behind Marfizo at pivot. Running in the same backfield with Grieco are Jack Yohe, Clarence Duff and Alex Fakadej at halfback and Doug Henley and Ed Jones at fullback.

VIRGINIA MILITARY—With only one letterman at guard, one at center, two at tackle and two at end, there will be a major depth problem in the Keydet line. Capt. Dick Lyons is the only center with experience. None of the guards ever started a game, and Bill Miller is the only tackle regular coming back. Ends Billy Elmore and Paul Janschego were reserves last year.

Twenty-three sophomores must shoulder the responsibilities. "It will take a lot of surprising help from some of the sophomores to make us as strong as last season," explains Coach John McKenna. Dick Fencel is the only experienced quarterback and he missed spring practice. Tom Dooley, starting end in 1954, has been moved to the ball-handling spot. Sam Woolwine is a healthy looking prospect at fullback and Dale Vaughn, Charlie Lavery, Joe Moody and Bobby Jordan are promising halfbacks.

CITADEL-Coach John Sauer has his work cut out

DICKIE BEARD, leading rusher in Southern loop, paces Va. Tech backfield.

SID MADDOX, Furman end, stands 6-3; caught 2 scoring aerials last Fall.





as he attempts to put the Bulldogs in the winner's circle. With freshmen eligible for the varsity, he expects to bolster his ranks with new material enrolling in September.

The new mentor rates Capt. Jim Tyson, 190-pound, six-foot-four senior, among the finest ends he has ever seen. Steve Rentko is the other starting flanker. Seniors Ken Hill and Frank McDaniel operated at tackle in off-season exercises. Soph Conrad Tuza and senior Keily Cronin were at guard and senior Bob Corley at center. Two sophomores, quarterback Jack Yielding and halfback Dick Fischl, look like backfield starters. Dave Bochniowich was at fullback and Al Andrejko at the other halfback slot in Spring drills.

WASHINGTON & LEE—The Generals return to football on a non-subsidized basis after an acute shortage of players through flunk-outs and honor system violations caused the Board of Trustees to cancel the 1954 schedule. After a year's layoff, new Coach Bill Chipley greeted 45 candidates at offseason practice and seven of them were the following scholarship holdovers: Ends Phil Brown and Earl Gillespie, tackle Bill Kaufman, guard John Pipkin, center Jim Mayoza and backs Don Stine and Dan Giger. Five other scholarship boys who didn't take part in Spring work answer the bell Sept. 1. Coach Chipley believes he will have a pretty rugged first team but lack of experience on the bench will be a handicap.

A seven-game schedule with schools in Washington and Lee's class from a football standpoint should see the Generals enjoy fair success. Davidson is the only Southern Conference opponent to be met.

U. S. MARINE CORPS

QUANTICO—The Virginia Marines enter the 1955 football picture without the services of 12 of their 1954 standouts. Coach Lt. Col. J. T. Hill is mourning the loss of quarterback Steve Piskach, who is ineligible.

After two losses last Fall, Piskach came off the bench to direct the team to nine straight wins before injury limited his service. He completed 33 of 66 passes for 652 yards. Only two of his aerials were intercepted, while 10 were good for TD's.

Three of Quantico's best mail carriers in 1954 are hauling leather for Camp Lejeune this season. They are halfbacks Bill Roberts (Dartmouth) and Don Bingham (Sul Ross State), and fullback Bill Tate (Illinois).

BILL MILLER, the lone returning tackle, faces heavy VMI duty.



AL GRIECO, W. & M., rates well up among SC quarterbacks.



GENE FILIPSKI ranks high in 1955 Quantico rebuilding plans.

Roberts was the workhorse of the Quantico backfield. He carried 90 times for 583 yards and a 6.5-yards average, scoring 48 points.

Bingham carried 60 times, totaling 406 yards for a 6.1 average and 90 points. He was chosen by the Navy Times for the All-Sea Service All-Star team. Tate saw limited action due to an injury but lugged the ball 45 times for 178 yards.

Lejeune also has former Duke and Quantico end, Howie Pitt. While with the Virginia Leathernecks he was rated one of the best defensive flankers in the service circuit.

Parris Island inherited four other Quantico players. Little halfback Dick Zotti, nicknamed 'Zig-Zag,' was one of Coach Hill's first utility backs last year. While with Boston College, Dick was chosen Catholic All-America two years straight.

Also at Parris Island is quarterback Vince Dooley, and tackles Joe Harrington and Vic Rimkus. Dooley was All-America at Auburn, while Harrington and Rimkus gained recognition as stellar Holy Cross linemen.

End Don Fullam and former All-America guard Steve Eisnehauer have also left Quantico for duty at Pensacola Naval Air Station. Eisenhauer, bulwark of the Quantico line, was chosen All-Sea Service by the Navy Times, and Fullam proved invaluable as a defensive end.

This sounds as if the Virginia Leathernecks will have a rough go of it. . . . Maybe so, but as in the past, Quantico is hoping to come up with another powerhouse.

And Coach Hill has a fine nucleus to start with. . . . Leading the returnees is Fred Franco, former Naval Academy fullback. Off to a slow start last year, he came on like a house-a-fire toward the middle of the season to win a starting berth, grind out 244 yards and score 30 points. A defensive line-backer, he has an uncanny sense for diagnosing plays.

Another returnee is Gene Filipski, flashy half-back who saw limited action last season due to an ankle injury. However, the former Villanova All-America still managed to carry the ball 32 times for 180 yards and a 5.6 yards average.

Ted Keller will be looking for the nod at quarterback. Last year as a second stringer he completed 29 of 46 passes for 497 yards and 8 TD's.

The Marines can't be too sure of newcomers, although the University of Wisconsin will be well represented. In the backfield are former Badgers Jerry Witt and Glenn Wilson, and on the line are Dick Dixon and Mike Cwayna.





MENEN SCHRIEWER (85), Texas end, gets set to snare jump pass by Glenn Dyer (tackled by 81, Charles Smith) in game won by Baylor 13-7. Baylor's Miller (60) and Dierking (68) couldn't stop pass.



REUBEN SAAGE, Baylor fullback, is nabbed by star Rice end Jim Peters (83) aided by teammates Orville Trask (71) and big Tom Siragusa (64).



ED RAYBURN, senior tackle and Rice co-captain, rates among best of linemen in Southwest. JERRY HALL, 195-pound junior, who ran century in 9.8 in prep-days, adds speed to Rice fullback power.

MARSHALL CRAWFORD, 6-2 Rice flanker, co-captains Owl eleven picked to win conference honors.







By Flem Hall

A veteran Southwest reporter and editor of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram. Flem Hall has true inside line on S. W. grid.

Southwest

RICE MAY GRAB BRASS RING IN WIDE OPEN SOUTHWEST FOOTBALL RACE

PREDICTIONS

Southwest 1. Rice 1. Texas Tech 2. Texas 2. Arizona 3. Baylor 4. SMU 5. TCU

Gulf Coast

1. Trinity

6. Arkansas

7. Texas A&M

- 2. North Texas St.
- 3. Midwestern
- 4. Abilene Christian

Texas Conference

- 1. Howard Payne
- 2. McMurry
- 3. East. New Mexico U. 2. Texas Lutheran

Border

- 3. Texas Western
- 4. Arizona St. (Tempe)
- 5. Hardin-Simmons
- 6. West Texas State
- 7. New Mexico A&M

Lone Star

- 1. Southwest Texas St.
- 2. Stephen F. Austin
- 3. Sam Houston
- 4. East Texas State
- 5. Texas A&I
- 6. Lamar Tech
- 7. Sul Ross

Independents

- 1. Austin College

ALL fishermen are liars except you and me— and I'm not so sure about you!" is one of the favorite wisecracks of Texas anglers.

The theme of that philosophy can be applied to the Southwest Conference championship football race this Fall, too.

Consensus is that every team in the league except Texas A&M can win the title easily-and some folks aren't so sure the Aggies can't!

Never in its history has the Southwest Conference fielded seven teams with the potential of the 1955 starters—yet there isn't a club in the circuit which couldn't lose all its conference games as easily as it could win them. It's even possible that the winner will lose as many as two league gamessomething which never has happened.

Arkansas won the crown last year with a 5-1 record.

There'll be 30 colleges in six conferences fielding teams in the Southwest area this Fall and each figures it'll be stronger.

Coaching changes have been made at eight schools-Arkansas and Texas in the Southwest Conference; Hardin-Simmons, Arizona State (Tempe) and New Mexico A&M in the Border Conference; Midwestern in the Gulf Coast; McMurry in the Texas Conference, and at independent Austin College.

Mighty Texas Tech sallies forth in the Border Conference boasting the best team in Coach De-Witt Weaver's reign. Texas Western, 47-20 victor over Florida State in the Sun Bowl, and University of Arizona will field potent teams.

Trinity is favored to repeat as king of the Gulf Coast loop for the third straight year, with North Texas State and Midwestern following in that order. Abilene Christian, a new member which played independently last year, isn't eligible to compete for the title until 1956.

In the Lone Star Conference Southwest Texas State, Stephen F. Austin, Sam Houston and East Texas State are getting rave notices.

Howard Payne is a slim choice over McMurry to repeat as champion of the Texas Conference.

Two other Texas colleges—Austin and Texas Lutheran-will field independent teams.

They're saying in Houston, and many around the league agree, that this could be the best Rice Institute team since the 1949 SWC championship aggregation.

Coach Jess Neely's Owls have speed, good passing and the typical Neely running game—powerful. If Rice has weaknesses, they are defensive experience and not enough line depth.

Most of the Longhorns who were such heavy favorites a year ago return for their senior season at University of Texas. Texas should have a more balanced attack. Resources point to more passing and improved speed.

Basically a Split T team last season, Texas will swing more to the standard T and blend in some of the "Belly Series" popularized by Georgia Tech.

The coaching staff has been bolstered by the addition of backfield man Charley Waller from Auburn and Mike Michalske, veteran pro lineman who formerly coached at Baylor and Texas A&M. Head man Ed Price also called in ex-Longhorn Bobby Layne, now quarterback for the pro Detroit Lions, to tutor Longhorn signal callers during Spring training.

Baylor exudes confidence. A lot depends on a terrific quarterback prospect, Doyle Traylor, a brace of big tackles and an improved defense. Coach George Sauer has been stressing the latter considerably since the Bears were beaten, 33-13, by Auburn in the Gator Bowl. Sauer got Steven Owen, former New York Giant coach, to aid in bracing that good old Baylor line during Spring drills.



WALTER FONDREN, swivel-hipped Texas soph, is giving vet Charles Brewer battle for quarterback post.



JOHNNY TATUM, Longhorn center, is counted on to inspire mates to pennant pitch in Southwest battles.

LANGFORD SNEED, vet DAN MILLER is one of 4 Texan, is wall at guard. lettered Baylor guards.





SMU returns 20 lettermen, boasts a fine middle line and wonderful running backs—but the Mustangs have questionable strength at quarterback and ends. If Coach Chalmer Woodard could be certain of senior John Roach or ex-halfback Ray Masters, just a sophomore, as quarterbacks, the Ponies would be considered shoo-ins for the title.

Texas Christian probably has the best line from end to end in the conference. It certainly has one of the outstanding centers of all time and the league's leading All-America candidate in Hugh Pitts, 6-2, 205-pound senior. But Coach Abe Martin must improve his passing attack to be a solid threat, and even then the Frogs are woefully shallow in top-drawer backfield reserves.

Arkansas again is picked to finish in the second division. No one really believed the Porkers were that good after they had compiled a 5-1 record within the conference by being the league's most alert team at recovering opponents' fumbles last year.

The Razorbacks went on to lose to Georgia Tech, 6-14, as host team in the Cotton Bowl.

Coach Bowden Wyatt left Arkansas to return to his alma mater—Tennessee. Jack Mitchell, the bright ex-Oklahoma quarterback, has been hired away from Wichita, the Missouri Valley champion. Mitchell has installed the pigeon-toed T (halfbacks line up facing center instead of straight ahead).

Though Mitchell has talented and experienced players with which to work, all have been students of the Single Wing and the switch may slow the Razorbacks' start.

Texas A&M could be the surprise of the circuit. Coach Paul Bryant has spared no effort in collecting high school talent from Texas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Alabama, Arkansas, Kentucky and Ohio. The Aggie recruiting campaign resulted in dis-

DEL SHOFNER, Baylor back, was voted 1954 soph of year in Southwest loop. HENRY GREMMINGER, All-America Baylor end, led SWC snaring passes.





ciplinary action unprecedented in Southwest Conference history when, at the annual Spring meeting, Texas A&M was placed on probation for two years and barred from post-season competition for the probationary period. All Aggie letters of intent signed by graduating high school athletes since April 15 were nullified and the school was prohibited from signing any other athletes for the remainder of 1955.

Thus, should the Aggies win the Southwest Conference football championship, they would be ineligible for the host spot in the Cotton Bowl.

The conference faculty committee pointed out that at two 1954 meetings the A&M coaching staff had been instructed "to acquaint itself with the Southwest Conference rules" and warned that violations would be met with "prompt action."

"Since these meetings," the conference added, "other violations . . . by Texas A&M College's coaching staff and alumni have occurred . . . the conference has regretfully taken action."

The 1955 A&M squad will be predominately sophomore—100 per cent so in the backfield—and the Aggies won only one game out of 10 last year.

A bevy of new stars is coming up in the Southwest Conference and it is possible that every school in the league will find itself using a sophomore or a holdover from last year's sophomore roster at quarterback before season's end.

Two schools are certain to start sophomores at that position—Texas A&M with Bobby Conrad and Baylor's Traylor, a holdover. Rice probably will use two soph quarterbacks, Frank Ryan and King Hill.

Walter Fondren is expected to take over quickly at University of Texas. Don Christian is pushing veteran George Walker for the man-under job at Arkansas.

Masters, converted halfback off the 1954 freshman team, is being groomed by SMU. Richard Finney, a holdover, backs up Charles Curtis at TCU.

SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE

RICE—Coach Jess Neely lost 10 lettermen, among them All-America halfback Dicky Moegle and All-Conference guard Kenny Paul, but returns 16. At least one of the lettermen will be at each position.

Rice has what most of the other schools lack, depth at quarterback and balanced distribution of talent.

Ends James Peters and Marshall Crawford are of the highest caliber and properly supported. Eddie Rayburn, 225, All-Conference prospect, and Orville Trask, 230, are the tackles. Jay Riviere, 198, and Lew Harpold, 194, are senior lettered guards. Don Wilson and Albert Johnson, 210 and 202, respectively, are lettered centers.

The Owls have no abundance of experienced line reserves, but barring injuries the starters could be sufficient to put Rice in the Cotton Bowl.

Quarterbacks John (Pinky) Nisbet, Frank Ryan and King Hill are respected throughout the league. Nisbet was the league's most accurate passer last season with a .597 completion average and is a



DON MCILHENNY, SMU halfback, is senior with two letters to his credit.

JOHN MARSHALL ran wild for SMU at end of season and is all set to resume rampage as back.



senior, but he underwent surgery because of a wrist injury during the Summer and may not be a starter. Ryan and Hill are sophomores of exceptional ability. Phil Harris, still another talented quarterback, showed promise last year.

Replacing Moegle at left half will be 5-11, 175pound Virgil Mutschink, a sophomore. He has more speed than did Moegle, but isn't as good a defensive hand. Page Rogers and Paul Zipperlen are other candidates.

Bryant Stone, swift lettered junior, heads a list of seven other candidates for the right halfback job. David Kelley, a converted halfback, will keep Jerry Hall, 195-pound junior, and 210-pound Jack Throckmorton hustling for the starting fullback post.

TEXAS—Coach Ed Price survived the gridiron depression at Texas last season and hopes to ride "Bevo," University of Texas' mascot steer, right into the Cotton Bowl Jan. 1, 1956. He'll be leading the same herd of gridmen, with 14 exceptions, who were touted to win in a stampede last season.

That stampede was headed, you'll recall, by everyone in the league except TCU, Texas A&M and SMU, and the latter managed to tie the Longhorns

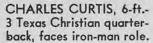
What happened? No one knows for sure. Maybe self-satisfaction set in. It could have been the squad was over-rated. Anyway, Texas finished with a 4-5-1 record and when smoke from the alumni explosion cleared three of Price's assistants, Eck Curtis, Bill Dubose and Ed Kelley, had resigned.

Charles Brewer, the twice-lettered senior, still is directing the T attack from quarterback but will have to fight desperately to keep Walter Fondren on the bench. Texas again is hip-deep in halfbacks. Joe Youngblood is top man on the right side and is assured of competent support from Ed Hawkins and George Robinson.



HUGH PITTS, brilliant pivot, has TCU coach envisioning another Ki Aldrich for Horned Frogs.







JIM SWINK, TCU back, is one of most elusive broken-field aces in SW.

Speedy Delano Womack and Chester Simcik rank in that order on the left. Larry Graham, 195, is leading the pack at fullback but is pressed by five other players who could be starters at almost any other school in the conference.

Herb Gray, the All-America candidate, has been shifted from tackle to guard. So has Langford Sneed, another senior. They'll keep the Longhorns strong at those posts and on defense will play end positions.

Price will have steady play from Vernon Person, 205, and sophomore Charles Baker, 220, at tackles. Baker ousted Ben Woodson, junior letterman, and pro draft choice Gerald Peterson, 260-pound senior squadman, for the job. The ends, Ed Kelley on the left and Menan Schriewer on the right, are 2-letterman seniors. They're backed by four other lettermen.

Leadership and offensive ability rates Johnny Tatum ahead of Louis Del Homme at center.

Texas lacks experienced depth at guards. Behind Sneed on the left are four sophomores, and Gray is followed by two squadmen and a sophomore.

BAYLOR—Tackle is the key position in Baylor's championship dream. Coach George Sauer lost by graduation three of his first six tackles, including James Ray Smith, and another by scholastic troubles, David Lunceford.

Bill Parsley and Bill Green, lettermen, return, but Green suffered a knee injury midway in '54 which resulted in surgery that kept him out of Spring training. Injuries also kept Bobby Jack Oliver, sophomore, and squadman Charley Bradshaw out of Spring drills.

Bill Glass, moved from center to tackle, was a bright star in Spring practice, however, and may well be an All-Conference candidate.

Elsewhere, Baylor is loaded. Doyle Traylor, most publicized quarterback in this section in years, is

scheduled to make his varsity debut. Traylor suffered a shoulder separation just before the first game last season and was held out of action. Coach Sauer makes no bones about it. He says "if something happens to Traylor or our tackles, the roof falls in. Traylor is just as good a passer now as was Larry Isbell the year he was All-America (1951)."

Behind Traylor is Bob Jones, sharp passer who lettered last year behind Billy Hooper, who graduated. The halfbacks are strong and experienced. On the left side is brilliant Del Shofner, 6-3, 185-pound junior and a genius of a runner. On the right is Weldon Holley, 2-lettered senior who is backed up by squadman Donnel Berry and a flashy sophomore, Bobby Peters. Shofner's understudy is Ronnie Guess. The fullback is Reuben Saage, 195-pound junior who is one of the conference's hardest runners.

Baylor may be worried about its tackles but the rest of its line is solid. There are three lettermen ends, Tony DeGrazier, James Amyett, and Henry Gremminger. Amyett is running fourth string behind DeGrazier on the left terminal so tough is the competition.

Gremminger, All-Conference selection last year, is having a tough time fighting off the start-

KEN HALL, speedy 204pounder, is high-scoring fullback for Texas Aggies.

JACK POWELL, veteran tackle, heads down field in drills with Aggies' JOHN CROW, 6-2 speedy halfback, lugging leather right behind in tandem to go all way.





ing-berth-bid of sophomore Bill Anderson, 6-2 and 195. There are four lettermen at guards, Dugan Pearce, Willie Froebel, Dan Miller and Henry Rutherford. All are juniors. Jim Taylor is a 6-3, 220-pound 2-lettered senior at center. Sauer lost 11 lettermen in all, returns 16 and has 28 lads up from a fine freshman team.

SOUTHERN METHODIST—If SMU had an experienced quarterback, it would be a solid choice to win the championship. Coach Chalmer Woodard has an excellent line from tackle to tackle. His gifted running backs are the toast of the league. But John Roach, understudy of the departed Duane Nutt, looked only "pretty good" in Spring training. And the end situation is not encouraging.

Another thing which may shock the Mustangs' morale is their schedule. SMU opens with Notre Dame at South Bend, Ind., and the next weekend plays Georgia Tech at Atlanta, Ga.

Roach is a 6-4, 175-pound senior who played enough to letter last year. He's supported by Glen Holliday and Jim Haynie, junior squadmen, and sophomores Charles Arnold, Bob Burgess and Ray Masters. Masters was used at both halfback and quarterback during Spring training. He was an All-State selection in high school as a senior when he



ARLEN WESLEY, 205pound guard, co-captains mighty Texas Tech team.

TERRY WALKER, 240 pounds of dynamite at tackle, is set to open opposing lines wide for JACK KIRKPATRICK, vet quarterback of powerful Raiders from Texas Tech.





ED BROWN, All-Border guard as frosh, moves to Arizona wing in soph year.

ART LUPPINO, Arizona tailback, romped to 24 touchdowns while scoring 166 points last season.



played quarterback, halfback and fullback.

The ends lost from last season were top-notchers Ed Bernet, Raymond Berry and Doyle Nix. In starting roles this Fall will be Tommy Gentry, junior letterman, and Jim Robertson, senior squadman. The only other letterman end, Leighton Steward, backs up Robertson.

The proud Mustang middle line consists of tackles Eric Knebel (240) and Forrest Gregg (225), guards David Hawk (185) and Smitty Keller (195) and center Burleigh Arnecke (204). All are seniors except Keller, a junior.

The Pony halfbacks and fullback are the best in the conference. Don McIlhenny is a twice-lettered, 190-pound senior. John Marshall a 2-letter senior and fullback Hal O'Brien a 2-letter, 210-pound senior. Marshall was the sensation of the conference during the last month of last season. In the final four games he gained 93 yards against Arkansas, 90 against Rice, 162 against TCU and ran 76 yards for a touchdown against Notre Dame. Behind these boys are sophomores Lon Slaughter and Charley Jackson and senior Blake Tucker.

TEXAS CHRISTIAN—Coach Abe Martin will field the finest Horned Frog squad in a decade. His material is promising, but not proven at all positions. Martin can brag about Hugh Pitts, who is rated as the finest center TCU has had since All-America Ki Aldrich of the 1938 national championship team. James Ozee, called a better freshman center last year than was Pitts as a frosh, is No. 2 at the position.

Joe Williams, ranked right alongside Pitts in ability as No. 2 center last year, now is a guard. He outplayed two 2-lettered seniors, Bill Yung and Bill Alexander, for the starting job.

The other guard is Jay McCullough, 205. Martin has five lettermen at ends and is assured of fine play from Bryan Engram, Everett Salley, O'Day Williams, Don Sanford and Jim Cooper. There are four lettermen at tackles where the two starters are juniors Norman Hamilton, 225, and Don Coop-

er, 210. The former is an excellent All-Conference prospect.

The Frogs' problems are in the backfield. Charles Curtis, 6-3, 200-pound quarterback, is the wizard whose sleight-of-hand T tactics make the Purple offense go. He's adequate but there is no experienced replacement. The halfbacks are Jim Swink and Ray Taylor. Swink is the finest broken-field runner TCU has had in years. Taylor is the best punter in the conference. Fullback is questionable. Buddy Dike, who made the offense go last year, suffered a kidney injury and isn't expected to play in 1955. Vernon Hallbeck, 6-2, 205-pounds, has been moved into the gap.

Richard Finney and Frank Windegger, second and third string quarterbacks, may hold the key to success if they can improve on the TCU passing game.

TCU has 26 returning lettermen—lost only five. This is Martin's third year as head coach of the Frogs and this will be his finest team.

ARKANSAS—Everyone expects Arkansas to be an interesting team to watch but no one expects the Porkers to win the 1955 championship.

Changes in coach and formation are expected to keep the Razorbacks out of the first division, even though 22 lettermen return.

Arkansas' big losses were All-America guard Bud Brooks, tackles Jim Roth and Eddie Bradford, blocking back Bobby Proctor and fullback Joe Bill Wilson. The Hogs return the same fine group of ends—Jerry McFadden, Ted Souter, Walter Matthews, Olan Burns and Bill Lyons plus converted wingback Ronnie Underwood.

The tackles will be well-manned with lettermen Billy Ray Smith, Bill Fuller, George Bequette, Dick Hardwick, Jesse Deason, John Boles and Dick Bennett.

At guards there will be no Brooks but three lettermen, Bobby Gilliam, Wayland Roberts and Neil Martin return, plus squadman Gerald Henderson. Jerry Ford is an outstanding center. George Walker probably will be the Split T quarterback, but he's

JESSE WHITTENTON, Texas Western field general, scored pair and tossed for 3 Sun Bowl touchdowns.



being pressed by another fine passer, Don Christian.

Preston Carpenter, Single Wing blocking back last year, is a great prospect as a T halfback. He's considered one of the top runners in the conference. Buddy Benson, a speedy tailback in 1954, Joe Thomason and Bennie Berry are other capable halfbacks.

Henry Moore, All-conference selection, returns at fullback.

TEXAS A&M—The Aggies beat Georgia, 6-0, last year for their only victory as they finished in the conference cellar. But brighter days are ahead for Bryant is building solidly. This season will mark the debut of what some people call the finest collection of football talent A&M has seen in 10 years.

There likely will be only three juniors and one senior in Bryant's starting lineup. The rest will be sophomores up from the 1954 freshman team which was awarded 36 letters. Bryant lost 15 varsity lettermen and returns 11. Only two of those 11 could earn starting berths in Spring training.

Elwood Kettler, A&M's quarterback last season, had another year of eligibility but suffered a back ailment and had to drop football. Thus, sophs Bobby Conrad, Caesar Fulton and Donald Grant must carry the load. The halfbacks are John David Crow and Ed Dudley. Crow is a 6-2, 195-pounder from Spring Hill, La., who was one of the most-sought high school players in the nation. Dudley was an All-State back at Pampa, Texas, high school.

The fullback is expected to be Kenneth Hall, a fabulous, high-scoring, 204-pound speedster from Sugar Land, Texas. He is ably assisted by Jack Pardee, a junior letterman who played mostly at end last season, and Bob Ewell, another sophomore who was the No. 1 boy at end of Spring drills.

The Aggies have experienced backs, too, in lettermen Billy Huddleston, Don Watson and squadman Gene Henderson.

The Aggie line may be the weak link. Eugene Stallings is the only letterman at left end and he's playing behind junior Billy Cranberry and sophomore Bobby Marks.

Junior Darrell Brown gives Bryant a letterman at left tackle but Garry Martin, a soph, is leading Dee Powell, a letterman, at left guard.

The centers are John Gilbert, a sophomore, and letterman Lloyd Hale, a junior. On the right side of the line are guard Dennis Goehring, junior letterman, tackle Henry Clark, senior squadman, and end Roger Hobson, sophomore.

BORDER CONFERENCE

TEXAS TECH—Weaver lost 13 lettermen from last year's championship club but has 26 returning to his 68-man squad and expects this to be his greatest Red Raider team. It has everything.

The club consists of 16 seniors, 16 juniors and 33 sophomores. It is rated much better than last year's team which had a 7-2-1 record and better than the one which beat Auburn in the Gator Bowl Jan. 1, 1954.

Jack Kirkpatrick will be a senior quarterback

and is ranked among the Southwest's best. He apparently has fully recovered from a foot injury which kept him hobbled most of last season after playing a spectacular role in the 1953 campaign. Kirkpatrick's handoffs and pitchouts were sharp in Spring training. Jerry Walker, the Raiders' right tackle who is 240 pounds and of All-America timber, heads up a stout line.

Bill Herschman, 230, is at the other tackle. The guards are Arlen Wesley, 205-pound co-captain, and Hal Broadfoot, 205. Dwayne West, 190 and a twice-lettered senior and an All-Conference selection last year, returns at center.

Co-captain James Sides and Lonnie Graham are powerful fullbacks. The halfbacks are ably manned by Ronnie Herr and M. C. Northam, both lettermen. R. V. Allcorn and Don Schmidt back up the pair. Outstanding sophomores will be two ends who played varsity ball as freshmen last year—Pat Hartsfield and Don Waygood. Quarterback Carl Trippeer and guard Charley Moore are other bright newcomers.

ARIZONA—Coach Warren Woodson's Wildcats are loaded. Twenty-four lettermen return to Arizona's 46-man squad. It loses 11 from the 1954 team which won seven games and lost three. The Cats' only conference losses last year were to Texas Tech, the champion, and Texas Western.

Art Luppino, tailback on the Wing-T who gained 1,359 net yards in 179 carries last Fall as a sophomore, is one of eight starters back.

The others are Ed Brown, guard who may play end this year; fullback Max Burnett; co-captain and end Bill Codd; co-captain Paul Hatcher, a center; wingback Wayne Mancuso; tackle John Mellekas, and end Gordon Phegley. Among those lost are Buddy Lewis, Glenn Bowers and Al Webre, all linemen, and quarterbacks Fred Schuh and Barry Bleakley. Bowers signed to play pro ball for the Philadelphia Eagles.

Marty Lang, Snuffy Smith and Skip Corley are lettermen quarterbacks. Others challenging for the job are Dalton Cole, a sophomore; Milon Kentera,

SAMMY BAUGH (center), new Hardin-Simmons pilot, poses with co-captains John Henry Lyle, quarterback, on his right and K. Y. Owens, flashy Cowboy fullback.

a junior college transfer and Jan Chapman.

Newcomers who are expected to give the Cats a big boost include tailback Bill McCormick, who played for the Cats in 1953; ex-Navy lineman Buddy Schulze, 211-pound guard; Everett Nicholson, 215-pound tackle, and Bob Griffis, 215-pound guard.

TEXAS WESTERN—Should favored Texas Tech falter, Coach Mike Brumbelow's Miners could strike it rich. Texas Western returns 22 lettermen from last year's team which won seven games, lost three and then beat Florida State, 47-20, in the Sun Bowl at El Paso.

Leading the returning lettermen are quarterback Jesse Whittenton and right end John Howle. Whittenton was named the most valuable player in the Border Conference last season, and Howle was selected to a first team berth on the All-Conference team. Both are seniors.

The Miners lost nine players by graduation and two more to academic causes, but nine of the 1954 starters return. Main losses are at center and guard. Both first and second unit centers were lost and three of the top four guards, all by graduation. Returning starters, in addition to Whittenton and Howle, include sophomore Dick Forrest, left end; senior Lewis Singleton, left tackle; senior Jim Johnson, left guard; junior Kenneth George, right tackle; senior Reeves Tevis, left halfback; sophomore Rusty Rutledge, right halfback, and sophomore Bob Forrest, Dick's twin, fullback.

Other returning lettermen include Edy Whitmore, guards C. L. Chappell, Wayne Bailey and Ronald Erwin; tackles Jack Miller, Grady Brown and Keith Wharton, and ends David Shawver, Enrique Mata and Quentin Watkins.

ARIZONA STATE (TEMPE)—Dan Devine, former Michigan State assistant, is the new coach at Tempe. He replaces Clyde Smith, resigned, who leaves 20 lettermen as a nucleus for 1955.

Returning from a team which won five and lost five last year are three excellent backs—left half

DANNY VILLARREAL (left) and CHARLEY MASSE-GEE do some high flying in practice for H-S Cowboys as they hurdle sturdy trio of Coach Baugh's linemen:— Clifton Bode, Ken West and Connie Baird (L. to R.).







JACK "BUBBA" HAYS, 6-3 Trinity halfback, is big gun in Tigers' bid to extend unbeaten streak of 16.

GEORGE VEIT, standout lineman, is one of four experienced guards on hand for North Texas State.



TOMMY RUNNELS faces tough task of replacing Dean Renfro, No. Texas State's top '54 gainer.



Bob Mulgado, fullback Bob Sedlar and quarter-back Dave Graybill.

Outstanding line prospects are John Jankans, Fritz Province and Bob Noel. Devine's assistants in his new venture are Frank Kush, line coach; Bob Carey, end coach; Tom Fletcher, backfield and Gene Fetter, freshman coach.

HARDIN-SIMMONS—The corrals are filled with activity in Abilene as the Hardin-Simmons Cowboys prepare for their annual Fall roundup under a new straw boss—Sam Baugh of TCU and pro Washington Redskin fame.

Baugh, an associate coach under Murray Evans, surprised many by accepting the head job after the latter resigned last Spring. Baugh called in a former Redskin teammate, John W. Steber, and Howard McChesney as his aides and converted the Cowboys from the Wing-T to the Chicago Beartype T formation.

Baugh inherits 19 lettermen and the Cowboys are expected to be much stronger despite the switch in formations. The squad will consist of 12 seniors, 16 juniors and two sophomores—quarterback Kenneth Ford and halfback Charles Massagee—who were sensations as freshmen.

H-S U is blessed with good quarterbacks. A real scrap has developed among senior co-captain John Henry Lyle, Ford and Gene Saur, a junior. Ford and Saur are outstanding passers. Ford hit for 78 of 146 and 948 yards and seven touchdowns as a freshman varsity quarterback last year while Saur connected on 27 of 58. The Cowboys' outstanding lineman is expected to be tackle John Waedekin, 6-6, 265-pound senior. He's ably supported by Ken West and David Nelson. Junior ends are Carlos Berry, Bob Womack, Connie Baird and Gerald Sealey.

WEST TEXAS STATE—Much stronger is the outlook for Coach Frank Kimbrough's gridmen this season. Seventeen lettermen return. Only six were lost. And there are but three seniors on this club which consists of 17 juniors, 19 sophomores and about 11 freshmen.

Big men in the backfield are team captain Delmer Tuggle, fullback; Bubba Hillman, associate captain and quarterback, and senior right halfback Joe Walden.

The line is sparked by Harold Gouge, 230-pound sophomore guard, and Tom Powell, a junior center. Outstanding first-year prospects include Ron Mills, quarterback-halfback; Jack York, quarterback, and James Kaufman, tackle.

NEW MEXICO A&M—There can be nothing but improvement for the Aggies this year.

The new coaches, Tony Cavallo and his assistant, Tony Balsamo, have 15 returning lettermen and a bevy of fine transfer students brought along from Cameron, Okla., Junior College.

Heading the roster of newcomers is Jim Music, 190-pound guard. Another outstanding lineman, and a holdover from the team which lost all nine of its games last fall, is Ron Price, 185-pound senior guard. Expected to be the outstanding back is 205pound fullback Gary Waldon.

Cavallo will have about 70 boys reporting for the Fall rebuilding job. Seven will be seniors, five juniors and three sophomores.

SOUTHWEST TEXAS STATE—If his tackles come through, Coach R. W. Parker expects his 1955 Bobcats to be stronger than the team which tied East Texas State for the championship last year. Gone are tackles Buzzy Allert, Little All-America, and Gene Smith. Only two junior lettermen return at the positions, A. J. Loth, 225-pound Rice transfer last season, and Wilford Block, 235-pounder. Help may come from two junior college transfers, Charles Coates and Fred Vinson, too.

Guard is a fairly bright spot despite the loss of three lettermen. Returning will be Herbert Carleston, starter last season, and two capable lettermen, Herbert Hill and Leonard Germer. Added strength will come from Don Cole, transfer sophomore from Trinity, and Bill Dumas, senior squadman.

Starting center Walter Dedeke returns, as does letterman Elon Baker and squadman Harold Boenig. Ends feature Dave Rutherford, late season starter who formerly was a fullback; John Faseler, regular from the 1954 club; Joe Icet and Charley Hall, both lettermen, and squadman Pat Lyssy, Adolph Acker and Joe Moehring. The backfield is good with quarterbacks Sammy Howard and Bobby McBride, fullbacks Bill Kerllar and Bill Miller and halfbacks Gene Kosarek, Bobby Graham, Leon Sefton, Bobby Gibbens and Keith Hoffman on hand. Seventeen lettermen return in all.

STEPHEN F. AUSTIN—Raymond Curfman, ex-Idaho coach and former Texas Tech grid great, has joined head coach Ted Jefferies as a line tutor and Curfman has some hefty boys with which to work.

Galen Crawford, a 270-pound, 6-4 tackle who missed action last year because of a knee injury, is back and classed as the club's top All-Conference prospect. Jim Murphy, 230, is another proven tackle, and Joe Angel, 205-pound end, is expected to be outstanding.

Eugene Barbin, 175-pound right halfback, is Jefferies' top ground-gainer but is rated only slightly ahead of Gene Dinges, 200-pound fullback, and Herman Hendrix, left halfback. The Lumberjacks' most promising newcomers are Tommy Edmonds, 215-pound guard, and Votto Gaddis, a quarterback transfer from Paris Junior College.

SAM HOUSTON STATE—Things are looking up for Coach Paul Pierce who lost only seven lettermen.

Returning will be 20 lettermen in an expected squad of 50 players. Nine of the youngsters will be seniors, 12 juniors, 12 sophomores and the remainder freshmen, junior college transfers and squadmen from last season.

Bobby Baldwin, All-Conference and All-Texas selection last year, and Allen Boren and Benny Boles are Pierce's outstanding prospects in a veteran backfield. Guard Joe Bright and tackle Jerry Hentschel pace a powerful and heads-up line.

EAST TEXAS STATE — Fourteen lettermen, 19 squadmen and some promising newcomers make Coach J. V. Sikes optimistic. He sees improvement for a Lion team which finished with a 6-3-1 record and a tie for the Lone Star Conference title with Southwest Texas State.

Among his returnees are Bobby Fox at quarterback, Kenneth Braden at center and Waylon Buchanan at end. All earned All-Conference honors last Fall. Leonard Bigbee and Dean Hesse won letter awards at tackle and rate high as potential stars. Jerry Lytle, at fullback, figures to be better, and he was close to stardom last year as a sophomore.

Either Larry Price or Jerry Matthews, both half-backs, could blossom as big-gaining stars. Price is touted as the fastest man in camp. Matthews, converted quarterback, is a good runner and passer. Gone are five of six ends and all four men who started at tackle and guard. It'll be up to new men and squadmen to take up the slack.

George Hartman and Larry Kemp at tackle and guard were All-Conference performers who are passing up their senior years and leaving big holes to plug. Kenneth Kimbrell, at guard, and Bob Lundy, at tackle, have been pressed into service. Wayne Arnold and Ed Cason look like guard starters and Bigbie and Hesse, the tackles. New men who have impressed the coaches include Charles Deason and Jack Barrett, ends; Joe Blackwood, tackle, and Jim Wilson, center.

TEXAS A&I—Kingsville's Javelins lost six lettermen, return 16 and though they'll be stronger in '55 probably will not figure in the championship picture. Key men will be Steve Curry, fullback; Johnny McCampbell, end, and Bill Pippen, guard, all of whom were All-Conference squad selections. Curry made the first team, McCampbell the second and Pippen honorable mention.

There is lack of depth at center where Leo Stroman is the lone letterman. Hub Dixon is a topnotch tackle but Hal Whitley and Joe Mancha have been slowed by injuries, making this position weak.

Pippen, Kenneth Stewart and Kenneth Pearce are three good guards. McCampbell is the only experienced end. John Ormand is the only lettered quarterback and transfer Joe Green his only replacement. Kenneth Wilhite, Corky Crane, Cal Hutzlers, Harlod Holden, Cleo Cooper and Pat Freeman make halfback the strongest position on the team. Gil Steinke, former Texas A&M assistant, will be in his second year as head man at Texas A&I.

LAMAR STATE—The Cardinals dropped four conference games by four points or less last Fall and Coach J. B. Higgins looks to 1955 to treat his team a bit more kindly.

Sixteen lettermen, 11 returning squadmen and a couple of former lettermen are the basis for predictions of brighter days ahead. Higgins lost only two lettermen but they'll be difficult to replace—scat-

back Sam Carpenter, two-time All-Conference performer, and tackle Teddy Walker, a 215-pounder who is skipping his senior year due to injuries. Richard Thurman, 1953 quarterback letterman who was hurt in the first game last Fall, is a doubtful starter for 1955, too.

Returning lettermen are quarterbacks Jerry Boone and Glenn Wyble; halfbacks Bernie Joe Cook and Raymond Meyer; fullbacks Ed Brune and James Wallace; centers Charles Smaistrla and Tommy Bell; ends Sam Trevino, John Chapman and Jim Fairmen and linemen Hubert Miller, Bill Counts, Bill Silva, Charles Thomas and Bob Moss.

Other lettermen scheduled to return are center Lloyd Harper ('51) and guard R. A. (Catfish) Hillier ('51).

SUL ROSS STATE—There's no joy among the Lobos. Norman Cash, the pride and star of Coach Al Milch's team, has been signed to a baseball contract by the Chicago White Sox.

Cash was a 187-pound senior who ran for 1,292 yards in 10 games last season and gained another 540 passing.

Ivy Hunt, a 195-guard, has been moved to Cash's fullback post and Charley Ward, a wingback last year, has been converted to quarterback in an effort to plug backfield holes. The Lobos have two top linemen in Jimmy Smith, 230-pound center, and Frank Krhut, 6-3, 210-pound end. Coach Milch lost only six lettermen from the squad which had a 4-6 won-lost record last season. He returns 15.

GULF COAST CONFERENCE

TRINITY—Coach W. A. McElreath fielded the only undefeated, untied football team among Texas colleges last season, and this year's squad "is about the same—perhaps a little more eager." The Tigers have lost six lettermen from the championship outfit but return 18.

Only eight are seniors. Twelve are juniors and 13 are sophomores. About 12 freshmen are expected to join the roster. Every man in the backfield is outstanding—quarterback Charley Arnecke, halves Odis Michalk and Jack (Bubba) Hays and Fullbacks Mike Trcka and George Jageman.

The line is studded with stars like right tackle John Ferrara, left guards Melton Lord and Bill Fraley and center Duke Cook. Outstanding first-year prospects include Don Tate, center; Don McCarty, right end and Roy Sawyer and Tony Valek, quarterbacks.

The Tigers have won 16 consecutive games, including their last seven of 1953.

NORTH TEXAS STATE—The Eagles haven't won a clear-cut conference title in three years and if they do so in 1955 it'll be with their youngest crew of the post-war era.

Coach Odus Mitchell has 21 of 33 lettermen returning and only five of them are armed forces veterans. Since World War II, NTSC has relied heavily on players from service ball.

NTSC loses all four lettermen tackles by gradua-

tion but a shifting of personnel has left the slots well manned. Garland Warren, a center, and guard Lawrence Nyquist, both lettermen, have moved to tackles. George Skipper, 6-6, 210-pounder who was a squadman last season, is another outstanding tackle prospect.

The Eagles are well off at halfback with Tommy Runnels, John Snead, Jack Wages, Don Smith and Ben Boehnke. Dean Renfro, the team's leading ground-gainer the last two years, is the only departed halfback. Don Baker is back to quarterback the Eagles but may receive strong competition from Ken Vinson, J. N. Wright and Philip Slater. Charles Shepard, John Renfro and Jerry Young are fullback candidates.

NTSC has lost a fine end in Charles McGinty through graduation, but Mitchell says Ernest Winfrey, Dennis Shaw, Jim Braymer and Weldon Wright, all lettermen, should handle the wings nicely. Four lettermen guards return, headed by George Veit. Fred Way and Buzz Stansel are lettered centers.

MIDWESTERN—A new coaching staff makes its bow for the Indians. Replacing Joe Siatta is Dick Todd, former Texas A&M All-America and player-coach of the pro Washington Redskins. His assistants are Dennis Vinzant and Pat Pattison.

Todd has 26 lettermen returning. The outstanding back, halfback Murphy Webster, and lineman, guard Cletus Schenck, are gone but brighter days still may be ahead for the Tribe.

Jackie Weldon, twice a Little All-America selection at Paris, Texas, Junior College, has won the Split-T quarterback assignment. His support will be Cecil Perkins, 190-pounder who saw lots of action for Midwestern in 1954. Tackle Calvin Myers, 2-letterman, shows promise of becoming one of the finest linemen in the school's history. Other outstanding prospects include Neil Whitaker, 220-pound end; Ernie Cunningham, 200-pound junior guard, and center Duane Miller, 195.

ABILENE CHRISTIAN—The Wildcats operated as independents last year and compiled a 6-3-1 record. Coach Garvin Beauchamp will have 18 lettermen returning but will be happy to finish with a 5-5 won-lost mark this year. And with a better team, too. The Wildcats are playing a tougher schedule.

Because ACC and NTSC were unable to arrange a meeting this Fall, ACC will not be eligible to compete for the championship.

This club will have seven seniors, 12 juniors and 11 sophomores for a cornerstone. The 'Cats' outstanding back should be Paul Goad, senior fullback and co-captain. Last year Goad led ACC ground gainers with 684 yards. He was top scorer with 48 points.

Leondous Fry, talented quarterback-halfback, returns along with fullback Gene Boyd. Among promising newcomers are quarterback Ed Cheek, a transfer from Henderson County Junior College; Robert Fleming, an All-State tackle from Mason H. S.; Bob Davis, former Wharton J. C. tackle, and

Farrel Keahey, an All-State guard from St. Joseph, La., High School.

TEXAS CONFERENCE

HOWARD PAYNE—The defending champion Yellow Jackets, sporting a 9-1 record from 1954, boast 25 returning lettermen. Coach Guy Gardner loses only four members of the 1954 team, but all are tackles. Gone will be Joe James, Little All-America selection; Jack Browning, two-time All-Conference choice, and Charles Coburn and Henry Sollers.

All-Conference returnees are end Louis Holt, center Robert Beal and quarterback Jerry Millsaps. The starting backfield remains intact, including both boys who alternated at fullback, Curtis Cozby and Robert Jackson. Halfbacks are Doug Johnson and Dave Smith. The starting ends return, Holt and Harold Garms, along with Beal.

The four returning guards are Ralph Bullard, Denny Day, Leland Maples and Kenneth (Bullet) Thompson. Brightest line star is expected to be tackle Kenneth Gray, the only freshman to letter last year. Three lettermen are back to complete eligibility following military service, guard Juan Rivera and tackles Stanley Cobb and Cecil Elkins.

McMURRY—The Indians, runners-up in the 1954 Texas Conference chase, hope to change all that this year despite the loss of their head coach, Wilford Moore, and 15 seniors.

Doug Cox, head coach at Ballinger, Texas, H. S. the last five seasons, took over at McMurry, March 1, after Moore resigned to enter private business.

Cox and his assistants, Edgar Payne and Joe Burk, have a squad of 17 lettermen and six squadmen.

Joe Bill Fox, veteran quarterback, and fullback Elroy Payne spark the backfield. Old hands in the line are Charles Mote, Grant Teaff and Tommy Watkins. Two other letterman backs who missed action in 1954, James Wells and Buddy Fornes, are expected to do great things. Wells was out with a broken leg last year. Fornes, All-Conference selection in 1952, has been in service. Fornes probably will play at both fullback and tailback on McMurry's Wing-T.

EASTERN NEW MEXICO—Coach Carl Richardson's crew figures to make it tougher on the opposition this year.

He has 27 lettermen returning. Only four lettermen from the '54 team are missing. Returning are three outstanding backs, Ronnie Halcomb, Buster Hodges and Cleburne Bybee, and two crackerjack linemen, Jim Asimos and tackle Everett Banister.

INDEPENDENTS

AUSTIN COLLEGE—Joe Spencer has succeeded Harry Buffington as head coach. Spencer's prospects are about the same as were Buffington's last season when the Kangaroos compiled a 6-4 record.

Thirteen lettermen have been lost by graduation

and 17 return. Eight players will be seniors, 11 juniors and eight sophomores. Remainder of the squad will be composed of freshmen. Top backfield hopefuls are the halfbacks, Jackie Miller and Buddy Homer, and fullback Gene Babb. Outstanding linemen include Dan Howell at right end, left guard Hartsell Haws and right tackle Ed Gilliam. Promising newcomers include Bill Secor at left end and Danny Redburn, at left halfback.

TEXAS LUTHERAN—A brighter outlook is in prospect for Coach John Kramer. He has 15 lettermen back from the Bulldog team which won one game and lost seven last year.

Only six lettermen were lost. Just four of this year's squad will be seniors. The remainder will include 10 juniors and 15 sophomores.

Outstanding backs are Howard Woerner and Gene Sharp. Fred Hightower and Gerald Evetts head the linemen.



PAUL GOAD, Abilene Christian fullback, averaged 5.8 and scored 48.



LEONDOUS FRY, Abilene quarterback, paced team on total offense and in kicking and passing.

BOBBY BALDWIN, Sam Houston St. back, led Lone Star Conference in scoring and pass receiving last Fall.





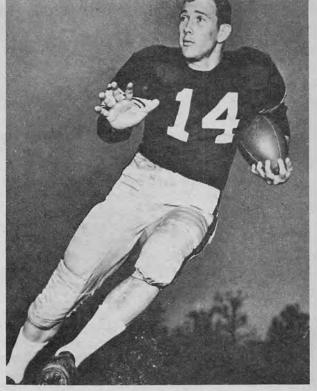
PAIGE COTHERN, Mississippi full-back, is a devastating line blaster.



GENE DUBUISSON, 6-2 and weighing 200 pounds, shapes up as fine center for Rebels.

BUDDY ALLISTON, gifted Mississippi guard, stands six feet tall and weighs 200.





JOHN BLALACK, Ole Miss quarter-back, gives team triple depth at spot.





JOE CHILDRESS (35), Auburn fullback, streaks through Baylor line for 32 yards in Gator Bowl win. Plainsmen's top '55 star was voted "most outstanding" in game.



BOB DOUGHERTY, 225 Ky. fullback, figures to take heat off passers.

LOU MICHAELS, soph tackle, shapes up as great Wildcat for Kentucky line.



JIM THOMPSON is hard to nail when packing pigskin for Georgia Tech.

FRANK BROOKS, alltime Georgia Tech great, again mans guard post.







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LADY LUCK HOLDS KEY AS SIX-WAY SOUTHEASTERN BATTLE SHAPES UP

PREDICTION

Southeastern Conference

Mississippi
 Auburn
 Alabama
 Georgia Tech
 Kentucky
 Florida
 Georgia
 Vanderbilt
 Georgia
 Tulane

Independents

Miami
 Miss. Southern
 Chattanooga
 Florida State
 Memphis State

NEVER, since the invention of the football player who could write, has the Southeastern Conference plunged into an autumnal campaign in a mist of such utter confusion. There are at least six teams which could take it all through the agency of a suddenly-developing key operative plus a hand of torrid dice.

In seeking to select the club most likely to get the brass ring, it is necessary to study all types of diverse factors—such as schedules, familiarity of the coach with his material, depth at certain vital sectors, overall strength of the league plus certain psychological items such as the lift provided by Vanderbilt's first conquest of Tennessee since 1948 and the possible discouragement of a fine Mississippi team which was pushed around in the Sugar Bowl by Navy.

Three teams, Alabama, Tennessee and Louisiana State, plan to get cracking with fresh hands sweating on the helm. They will naturally be strangers to the troops at their command, but all of them are reasonably conversant with the Southeastern as to its general high caliber. Louisiana State's Paul Dietzel was a Kentucky assistant until he switched to Army. Alabama's Ears Whitworth played with the Red Elephants in his bright college years and coached at Georgia. Bowden Wyatt, Tennessee's new resident genius, won All-America glory at that school. And his Arkansas Razorbacks of 1954 jousted Mississippi and Louisiana State. So these fellows know what to expect.

To be mildly truthful about it all, there isn't a really solid club in the conference and this always makes for deep fascination. This one is mere shell at tackle—this one lacks a quarterback while that one over there hasn't any outside power and probably will be jellied by a tight defense. One team

has strong passing and no running. So a violent neighbor is crushing along the infantry route, but hasn't a pitcher capable of knocking a derby hat off a sick baboon in a gale of wind.

The first divison could be made up of Georgia, Mississippi, Kentucky, Auburn, Georgia Tech and Florida—but not necessarily in that order. Vanderbilt, Alabama, Louisiana State, Mississippi State, Tennessee and Tulane might share the caboose.

Ole Miss, for example, has a stout core for building—owns a strong defense. But the quarterbacking is uncertain and the first two games might ruin everything.

Alabama has lost four tackles and is desperate at those ports of entry. Same situation exists at the halves and the schedule is lethal. But the passing ought to be stimulating.

Georgia has to get a quarterback somewhere or other, but the ends and tackles are strong and there is good depth. A rebuilding campaign is bursting into bud.

Like Alabama, Florida is short four solid tackles. But in spite of all this, the 'Gators should have a gusty defense—especially against passing.

Tennessee has only four backs who have played in a college football match, but there are some brilliant sophomores. This club is on the way back, but has a long way to go.

Vanderbilt is another unit which is groping toward the top after a long absence. The foot assault is potent, but there is a shortage of experience at quarterback.

Auburn was a thing of raging beauty at the end of 1954, but three key agents have faded over the horizon and the pitching game is larded with uncertainty.

Georgia Tech, which is generally favored, has a fleet of grand backs, a weak line with the exception of guard and there's a throttling schedule.

Kentucky should mount a fierce passing attack at both ends of the throw. But there are flaws at the center of the wall.

Mississippi State, which suffered the loss of at least three men who carried most of the bundle last season, is advertising for a sound quarterback.

Louisiana State is also in need of a pitcher, not to mention a few odd tackles. The center of the line is also pitching about on a sea of doubt.

Tulane is less than potent at end, though the tackles and guards are stout fellows. The future will depend largely on the sophomores.

SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE

MISSISSIPPI—These remorseless Rebels won the Southeastern Conference championship of 1954 and September's bugle call digs into the ears of many key characters. It is true that there is a mess of the missing, for, of 36 lettermen, only 20 return for another black eye and leg ailments make three of them somewhat uncertain.

But the nucleus is a healthy one and Ole Miss will present a tough chin to any barber. Defensively, the Rebs should be several thick slabs better than adequate. The balance between the passing and running attacks is a comforting one, but the vital need is at center and quarterback where Mississippi needs the type which can set the team on fire.

Eagle Day and Houston Patton practically alternated at the post in 1954 and both return. The Eagle hit on 40 of 85 pitches worth 879 yards while Patton tacked on 511. But in the Spring game, a speed spook named John Wallace Blalack passed both of them and may play most of it through 1955.

Departing Red Muirhead and Slick McCool and Jimmy Patton gained 1,204 of Mississippi's 2,314 running yards, but Coach John Vaught isn't weeping much over the replacements. Paige Cothren is a line-dissolving fullback and Eddie Crawford, a half, amazed everyone with his Spring speed. Earl Blair is another scat character who runs the 100 in 9.8 while Billy Kinard is one of the finest backs in the South. Gene Dubuisson is a magnificent center and Buddy Alliston a gifted guard.

Getting started with Georgia the first Saturday and Kentucky the second poses certain vexing problems.

AUBURN—At the terminus of the 1954 campaign, Auburn fielded the most destructive squad in the Southeastern Conference and possibly in the United States. But three vital factors will come up miss-

> JACKIE SIMPSON, key Florida back, is shifty runner in the open field.

BOBBY LANCE, Florida quarterback, spearheads 'Gator passing assault.





ing as Jim Pyburn, the All-America end, signed a pact with the Orioles while quarterback Bobby Freeman, the league's back-of-the-year, and Jack Locklear, the gifted center, wore out their eligibility. Eight graduates were signed by professional clubs which would indicate that the Plainsmen have some ground to make up.

On the side of strength, Auburn has fullback Joe Childress and his coaches, including the astute Ralph Jordan, think he's the best back in America. Joseph gained 836 yards last year and raided the end zone for 65 points.

Then there is Frank D'Agostino, a boisterous tackle who weighs 233 pounds and is the club's most effective blocker. Bob Scarbrough is a magnificent guard who is particularly useful downfield. The three deep backs, Fob James, Bobby Hoppe and Childress are raging defensive agents.

On the side of weakness, there is no really adequate replacement for Freeman, so the passing and field generalship is uncertain. But team speed and inside power may compensate.

Hoppe, a reformed freshman, averaged 10 yards a carry. He's a tremendous outside type and a hard hitter. He is accompanied by Red Phillips, a 205-pound end who ghosts the hundred in 10.2, Billy Pappanastos, a 215-pound guard, and Jimmy Cook, a likely quarter.

A definite championship contender.

GEORGIA TECH—While Georgia Tech was in the process of thumping Arkansas during the most recent and torridly-contested Cotton Bowl melee, horrified sports writers became suddenly aware that the Technicians were wearing a full sophomore backfield. So Georgia Tech kept right on thumping Arkansas.

And that's just the trouble—more fine backs than you can shake an athletic scholarship at. But there is a threadbare condition at ends, continued weakness at tackles—lack of depth at center. Guard is the only well-manned sector of the line where it is reported that lots of ball games are won.

This is likely to be another of those Robert E. Lee Dodd teams. Pick it up and the thing purrs like a contented kitten—then goes off in the fashion of a hand-grenade.

Most shining light is Stan Flowers, a 200-pound bolt of animosity erupting from halfback. He averaged 10 yards with the freshmen last season and threw six points of pass. Wade Mitchell is a superb quarterback—a skilled pitcher and handoff agent—a natural on defense. Jimmy Thompson is a deadly elf at 148 and his shoulder feint has been known to lift hostile ends out of their shoes. Paul Rotenberry and George Volkert are backs who can go all the way special delivery.

Franklin Brooks, a 192-pound All-America guard, has everything but a pair of ballet slippers and Mr. Dodd calls him the toughest man to fool that he has ever observed. Carl Vereen is a six-six tackle who blocks brilliantly while W. A. Glazier is a 225-pound guard of extraordinary speed and mobility.

KENTUCKY—Back in September of 1954, they said that Blanton-Collier, who was doing his first major league head coaching chore, after years on the Cleveland Brown staff, would be fortunate if he escaped with his life. Instead, Blanton won seven and lost three—two of the slaughtered being bowl-bound Auburn and Georgia Tech.

And the club now ready to come out is potentially superior to that of last season. Quarterback Bob Hardy, a solid runner, and end Howie Schnellenberger form up as a wizard passing combination. Bob was the best pitcher in the 1954 league and Howie the third-ranking target.

And the overhead attack should be even more potent, for Kentucky lacked a back capable of crippling line's center, so the enemy defense sagged to guard against passes and sweeps. This time, the Cats will produce Bob Dougherty, a 225-pound fullback of explosive proportion. But he had been in service two years previously to being held out a season—this because he transferred from Cincinnati and he wasn't too sharp in the Spring.

The freshmen have produced a wondrous looking tackle in the sinew-laced frame of Lou Michaels, who weighs 225 and is a brother of Cleveland's Walt Michaels. He's exceedingly swift and rough—has more poise than the typical sophomore. Kenny Robertson is a slick quarterback who grew up in the freshman farm system where Woody Herzog flourished alongside in the halfback patch.

Main weakness is at guard where both starters have vacated. In all, five regulars have slouched off with their sheephides and the refills are generally untested. Then, too, Kentucky has run out of blind sides on which to sneak up.

A logical contender.

FLORIDA—These 'Gators are looking rather haggard about the tackles, for four burly bruisers wearing letters have departed. But the guards are strong—the halfbacks fleet and vigorous. So there are stout chances that a 50-50 season will be gleefully improved upon.

The defense should be particularly potent, for center Steve DeLaTorre, while no giant, is a shattering tackler and reacts magnificently to perilous situations. Teamed with fullback Bill Bolton, he'll set up an aggressive line-backing department. Jackie Simpson and John Burgess defended so lustily against passing in 1954 that no one scored on Florida through the air.

This Simpson, his coaches testify, could be the best back in the conference. He's delightfully shifty—opens the throttle on sudden bursts of velocity and Coach Bob Woodruff is going to be rather dependent on his skill. Joe Brodsky is a 210-pound fullback who gained 378 yards last campaign and he's a gun from the gate. Bobby Lance, from quarterback, will spearhead the passing assault.

The freshmen were thoughtful enough to send up Charley Mitchell, one of the finest tackle potentials of the Woodruff regime. He was accompanied by Jon May, a slick quarterback, and Ed Sears, a 195-pound fullback who hurts when he hits. Up from the reserves are Jim Eaton, a sixfour end of good quality; Jim Yeats, another flankman of similar altitude; and Bob Kennedy, a tackle of parts—all of them rugged.

GEORGIA—Without a great deal of fanfare, the Bulldogs have set their teeth and begun building back to the Saturdays of glory which involved Charley Trippi and Frank Sinkwich. So as they brace themselves for September's bickerings, one ingredient is missing—a quarterback of real talent.

But Georgia seems to have most everything else—a sound line, sprightly running backs and depth supplied by 32 letter-bearers. Georgia has for years produced a startling string of All-America ends, but Coach Wallace Butts believes that Roy Wilkins and Red Roberts, two towering 200-pound creatures, are the equal of any combination he has directed.

Bobby Garrard is a stubby 215-pound fullback who hits with dazzling speed and backs the line like a raging lion. At guard, Don Shea is the same size and Georgia Tech thought he was the best lineman they faced all season.

Pud Mosteller is a tackle of the Shea pattern while John Luck is a companion giant who has been known to muss up the hair of a ball carrier right arrogantly.

Jimmy Harper and Dick Young will throw to an exceedingly receptive group of ends and backs, but Harper completed only 29 of 71 spirals last season and Young two of 15. Here's the weak link and on a T-model team; it can be rather cumbersome. Charley Harris is a 200-pound halfback who will seek to take up some of the passing slack with his cleats and he can cover 100 yards in 10 flat. John Bell is just as fleet, but played only one year of high school ball and is just discovering what it's all about.

Can be robust with adequate passing.

BOB GARRARD, Georgia captain is brilliant as fullback and line-backer.

ROY WILKINS, tall 200pounder, is one of stellar pair of ends for Georgia.









TOM HARKINS, talented Vanderbilt back, is set for the quarterback role.

CHUCK JOHNS, iron man LSU back, rolled up 408 yds. in 88 tries in '54.

MISSISSIPPI STATE—In his first season as a collegiate chief-of-staff, young Darrell Royal unleashed his Maroon Bulldogs upon the unwary and celebrated 1954 by winning six while losing four. He proved that he is here to stay, for, had not it been for a couple of funny bounces, he would have made it 8-2.

But now comes the process of filling gaps, for Darrell has lost All-America center Hal Easterwood; Dink Evans, winner of the Jacobs Blocking Trophy; and Bobby Collins, a useful quarterback.

Banked on heavily are the ends, guards and halfbacks, but there is little reserve strength at tackle and no experience at center. It will be difficult to replace Evans, a grand fullback, and quarter is an unproved quantity.

Art Davis, a yard-devouring half, is ready for All-America recognition. Weighing 186, he's a devastating ball-transport of fine power and great evasiveness in the open. He was All-Southeastern in '54 and was voted the league's most valuable agent.

The freshmen have sent up a potent explosive in 191-pound Molly Halbert and Billy Morgan, a fellow who scales only 152, but is the best brokenfield runner State has shown in years. During the Spring game, he hastened to five touchdowns and then broke a wing. Then there's big Lou Brown, a star end ready to scale the sky.

Scott Suber, who missed half of 1954 because of injuries, is a tremendous guard and Bill Dooley, his opposite number, was second All-SEC. And don't forget to watch halfback Jim Harness when he hitches up.

ALABAMA—In the first week of Sept. 1954, the Red Elephants soaked up more injuries than a team will usually encounter over the full route—got off creakingly and never quite recovered. So Coach Ears Whitworth, who was recently imported from Oklahoma Aggies, has inherited a schedule composed entirely of major league games plus a squad which has lost 12 lettermen—five of them starters.

All four top tackles, the three leading guards and both regular halfbacks joined the exodus and five of this group were drafted by the professionals. The same old faces return to end, center, quarter and fullback, but the other regions are in somewhat desperate condition.

Leading the attack is Bart Starr, a quarterback who could be one of the nation's finest. As a sophomore, he passed for 870 yards and eight touchdowns. But he was out most of the past season with a twisted back. Bert Elmore, a step behind him, is a superior runner.

Up from the freshmen with 200 pounds mounted on mercurial hooves is Jim Loftin, a fullback bearing ungracious gifts. Young Fred Sington, quick as a scalded whippet and weighing 235, was held out last season following surgery. He has been moved from tackle to guard and is a field goal threat from almost anywhere.

Knute Rockne Christian is back at center where he is most welcome. Doug Potts is a big tackle who likes it rough and Nick Germanos, hobbled frequently by injury, is ready for full service at end where he is often spectacular.

TENNESSEE—These Orange Ogres, once the characters to beat, did get beat last autumn—on six deeply-bruised occasions and things might be just as sorrowful this time over the cliff. Young Bowden Wyatt, one of the nation's more gifted coaches, is being asked for a miracle in his first year at the Tennessee controls, but you can't make chicken salad out of chicken feathers.

Last year, the club teemed with magnificent backs and fielded a mediocre line. This time, the wall is fairly solid, but only four backfield operatives have played college football and Mr. Wyatt goes about humming: "Silver Threads Among the Black."

One cheerful note is supplied by young Drum Majors, a tailback who is rarely off beat. An accurate passer, he is a thoroughly brilliant runner in the broken field and dangerous from any position. Jim Beutel, the senior blocking back, is a crashing contact man both offensively and defensively. And there's no sugar in Charley Coffey, a savage guard.

And rarely has Tennessee reaped such a bumper freshman crop. Tommy Bronson is a tremendous fullback of 198 pounds and is already being happily compared to the fabulous Andy Kozar. There's comparison at guard, too, where Bill Johnson is another Ted Daffer and at tailback. The latter parallel is the property of Al Carter, a jet-fast tailback with dissolving hips—another Johnny Butler.

The center of the line will be solid indeed with fine guards and center Lamar Leachman, who was dry-docked last year with a failing knee, and Bubba Howe, another good center. Charlie Rader is a grand tackle and Edd Cantrell a splendid end.

Definitely a rebuilding project.

LOUISIANA STATE—These Bayou Bengals are poised on the verge of their traditional custard-pie schedule, so all they have to do is crumple Texas, Alabama, Kentucky, Georgia Tech, Texas Tech, Florida, Mississippi, Chattanooga, Mississippi State, Arkansas and Tulane. That should be a gentle breeze—for the First Armored Division.

They also have a new coach, Paul Dietzel, a young character of dizzy potential. To his utter dismay, Paul has probably already discovered that he is short All-America tackle Sid Fournet; Gary Dildy, a handy running mate; and Al Doggett, a tough and able quarterback.

But there are certain gaudy compensations. Joe Tuminello is a 190-pound senior end and one of the best in the country, it might be wisely added. He caught 13 passes to knit up 181 yards last season and was in the bristling thick of it for 502 minutes. Then there's Chuck Johns, a nimble halfback who soaked up 408 yards in 88 sallies and sweated out 429 minutes.

This pair, with the aid of the well-labeled O.K. Ferguson, a splintering fullback who can run past or over depending on the desires of the enemy. He was quite volatile in the last two struggles of 1954 when he gained most of his 212 yards and in the Spring he was horrific.

Last year's freshmen have agreed to be of great help—particularly on the part of quarterback M.C. Reynolds, a six-foot signal-yelper designed on the spectacular side. So able is he, in fact, that he replaced the war-hardened Win Turner in Spring sweats. Two other quite sensational sophomores are end Bill Smith and tackle Al Aucoin.

VANDERBILT—The clouting Commodores won only two 1954 decisions, but these involved the last pair of outings. Vanderbilt has been improving steadily since Art Guepe took the controls three years ago and this team can make life uncomfortable for all but the very best.

The Vanderbilts will be particularly strong in running backs, led by Charley Horton. The guards and centers appear made of stout stuff, but there is a dismal lack of experience among tackles and quarterbacks.

Through the past pair of seasons, Horton has soaked up six yards to the blow and he's a savage tackler—a pass receiver with adhesive fingers. Joe Stephenson, an end of 195 pounds, is exceeding clever with a spiral at his elbow and he runs with resounding power after a happy connection—averaged 22 yards in 16 receptions last season.

Tommy Harkins is a burly young man of amazing talent. He was a starting end in 1954, but he proved such a viogorous runner that Guepe transferred him to halfback and he was named outstanding player as the Commodores walloped Tennessee for the first time since 1948. And in Spring agonies, he was a cracking good quarterback.

Mr. Guepe is expecting a deal of aid from Phil King, a 200-pound fullback rated as one of the grandest in Vanderbilt history. This sophomore has burning speed and numbing power plus high

defensive gifts. Jimmy Linville is another sophomore—a tackle weighing 220 and a brilliant blocker in the open. Mario Wodka, 25 pounds lighter, was Linville's superior as a freshman tackle.

Tough and getting tougher.

TULANE—At about this time last year, a Tulane club which was greener than its battle shirts was being measured for a coffin-shaped berth in the depths of the Southeastern Conference cellar. So the amazing Green Wave closed out the campaign by holding Alabama all even, washing Vanderbilt up the beach and leading Louisiana State 13-0 at the half only to give way 14-13.

So it's possible that the Tulanes will do even better and the sophomores could hold the keys of fame in their chubby little hands. One of these is Gene Newton, a Split-T wizard who quarterbacked the freshmen in such a manner that he was personally responsible for 31 of the 38 scored by the wet-eared Wavelet.

Will Billen, a robust and agile 200-pound end, is being watched with pleasure by Coach Andy Pilney, for all the guy lacks is experience. And there are lots of sophomore backs of high promise—such as Al Cottrell, Virgil Jester, J. V. Burkes, Corkey Jones and Wayne Dugas.

Hardest knockers from last year include Bryan Burnthorne and Tony Sardisco, a pair of All-Southeastern type guards, and Otis Gilmore, a halfback seething with velocity. Dalton Truax and Emmett Zelenka are two powerful tackles about ready to earn brackets and so is Don Miller, a big center who dotes on bodily contact.

Juniors Fred Wilcox and John Caruso plus young Newton will do most of the passing. But, as Tulane is fresh out of lettered ends, the backs may do most of the catching.

At full, Ronny Quillian is an extremely savage

BART STARR, Alabama quarterback, tossed 8 scoring aerials in '54.

JOHN MAJORS poses ground and air defense problem for Vols' foes.





ball carrier while Willie Hof, a fleeting half, is probably the smallest SEC agent at 145 pounds. Al Cottrell is another useful one when he takes the ball and begins to go.

INDEPENDENTS

MIAMI—Coach Andy Gustafson is outraging the morals of his profession by wearing a smile which doesn't seem to hurt him and isn't the type which wipes out easily. Miami lost one decision last campaign and that by a single point to Auburn. And, as the spinal structure of this club was largely sophomore and junior, 1955 has certain encouraging aspects. Only seven of 1954's multitude of 48 lettermen have shaken the dust of the campus from their cleats and there are gaudy plugs for each gap.

Gleeful Gus maintains that Whitey Rouviere is the grandest back in America today. Andy coached the West Point backfield of glory and observes that Whitey is as fierce a competitor as Glenn Davis—as sharp defensively and his superior as a blocker and a harder runner.

Three of the regular backfield—fullback Don Bosseler, Rouviere, and Mario Bonofiglio, a quarterback who earned All-America mention, are all back. And then there's Gene Reeves, a sophomore quarter who is supposed to be the most epic passer in Miami history.

The Miami line will be fleeter and deeper than that of 1954, this despite the loss of two ends, Tom Pepsin and All-America Frank McDonald. From tackle to tackle, the tough smiters return in a solid'body.

Hurricane warnings are out from Key West to Jacksonville.

MISSISSIPPI SOUTHERN — This knob-knuckled multitude came of football age in the early autumn of 1953 when it whacked Alabama severely across the frontal bone. So folks said it was a blind-side accident and shook their heads in disbelief when it happened again in 1954.

So here comes 1955 and it finds the Southerners

GENE NEWTON, Tulane signal caller, was a wizard at directing Split T on the freshman squad last year.



quite potent at quarterback where three lettermen caper purposefully. There is rugged depth at fullback and guard plus speed at the halves and strength at tackle. But there is a general weakness at end where a shortage of proven receivers exists. The halfback reserves are thin and Coach Thad Vann may find himself without a really "takecharge" lineman.

One of these could be tackle Don Owens, a fellow who stands six-six in his corn-plasters and weighs 248. He was a curly wolf with long claws in the Alabama feuds, but is often inclined to go through the motions when the foe isn't a toughie. Center Les Clark is a steady fellow, cat-quick on his pins and plays a lot of 55-minute football.

Fred Smallwood is making the move from full-back to half and he was a solid driver in spite of a tonnage of only 166 pounds. Large of heart, he doesn't own great speed, but can go all the way upon occasion.

The freshmen have made useful contributions in the persons of Bob Yencho, a strapping end of speed and fine hands and a cruel disposition. Jimmy Taylor is a 195-pound guard who got the job done in Spring training while halfback J. C. Arban is a broken-field type of vast potential. John Albert, Larry Meeks and Harvey Sleigman are power-running fullbacks while quarterback George Herrings is a gifted passer.

FLORIDA STATE—The Seminoles won eight of their last nine 1954 encounters and astonished almost everyone with an overall record of 8-3. And things might go even better this time around.

The sunshine claque had the season's most damaging passing attack—raided the end zone with 19 spirals and the running assault is expected to be superior to that of the most recent campaign. There is a weakness in reserves and line-backers and Coach Tom Nugent could use a bit more running power. The first team is solid, but as a squad, the Seminoles are probably still two years away.

His overseers think that Lee Corso is one of the South's most dynamic running backs and it is cer-

WHITEY ROUVIERE, veteran Miami U halfback, is hailed by coach as greatest back in the country.



tain that, in company with end Tom Feamster, he was All-Florida. This Feamster is something extra, for he's six-seven, turns the scale needle to 250 and throws his weight around with cruel abandon.

One of the better freshman gifts is Vic Prinzi, a quarterback who completed 13 of 27 passes for 373 and four touchdowns. Bill Proctor is a strapping 235-pound tackle who transferred from Stetson. Ronnie Schomburger's four 1954 receptions were parlayed into 164 yards and a brace of touchdowns.

The defensive line play should be more vigorous what with Bob Barber and Jerry Jacobs throwing their more than 200-pounds-each into the guard embrasures.

LOUISVILLE—The clouting Cardinals are rather well prepared for the coming campaign. The entire starting line bristles with wearers of the letter and nine such hover in reserve. There are four fleet and willing halfbacks and three fulls who are capable critters. There is no great depth at center, but the bitterly weeping need is a quarterback worthy of lacing the shoes of John Unitas, a gifted type who now labors in behalf of the Pittsburgh Steelers.

Coach Frank Camp is delighted to place a velvet welcome mat beneath the vast football boots of Jim Wolf and Maurice Wolford, a pair of massive tackles who have spent two years making the world safe for democracy. They weigh 251 and 234 in that order and are not timid among strangers. Another lethal anchor of the line is John Becker, a slim but gallant end who is useful both offensively and defensively.

And there are three ore-bearing sophomores in halfbacks Leonard Lyles and George Cain, and Andy Walker, a center. The latter smites without mercy while Lyles is a mercurial character.

Fullback John Sowa has great inside power and so have Lyles and Cain and Billy Layne. Wally English and Pete Tomerlin will do most of the pitching while ends Becker and Gene Sartini combined for 31 receptions worth 418 yards in 1954.

The team has a deal more experience than the club which lost six games last year, particularly in the defense aloft and along the grassroots.

CHATTANOOGA—Scrappy Moore annually presents clubs which are a whit leather-tough until, through the process of attrition, the squad comes up with a shortage of spare parts.

This year's edition features robust running inside and outside, but the passing has given Scrappy little reason for celebration. And, while the first-string line is rugged and mobile, there is a severe shortage of adequate replacements. The defense against infantry assaults is superior to the Chattanooga ability to knock down passes. But in general, the overall defense is not as capable as that of 1954.

Quarterback Bob Case will do most of the pitching. Last season, he put a spin on 60 overhead thrusts and completed 24 to attain 314 yards. Principal targets will be Paul Kruzelock and Howard

Clark, a big pair of useful and glue fingered ends.

Dick Young and John Pozzini are fullbacks who depend more on speed, of which they have lots, than on power, and they're full of elusiveness in the open. Billy Carter, who played full last season, has been moved to halfback where his cleverness and strength paid large dividends in Spring bruising. Tony Brankus is a back who can run like a cat-haunted mouse.

Prime defensive operatives are Porter (House) Henderson, the 222-pound tackle; Larry Doaks, a savage guard; Abe Cohen, the valiant line-backer; and Carter, a fine long-range enemy of passing.

MEMPHIS STATE—For the past eight years, Coach Ralph Hatley has molded teams in the shape of the Tennessee Single-Wing, but now he adventures into the Split-T and no one knows how his material is going to fit this pattern.

But there are bright and glacial glints in Ralph's left eye when he discusses Joe Billings, a 215-pound tackle who could be about as good as anyone. State scouts contend that movies show that he whipped Mississippi's All-America Rex' Boggan on all but one play and that takes a lot of doing. Also of vast aid in the wall will be Cotton Clifford, a 195-pound guard who is swift and vicious.

Overall, however, Memphis State will field two rather vigorous ball clubs, but there is little depth and key injuries could be most disastrous. The punting and passing should be excellent, but the change of attack and the thinness at end produce nasty problems.

Andy Nelson, who has been a tailback for two seasons, will seek to assume the chores of the Split-T quarterback and he did quite well in the Spring. He'll do a deal of the passing as will quarterback Bubba Leonard and halfback Dave Griffith. Nelson threw 313 yards of passes last season, but the other two didn't often go into the air.

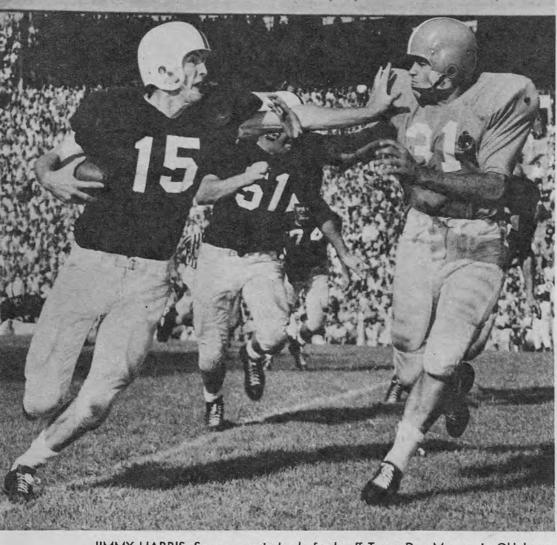
Larry House, a 195-pound halfback, is a savage power runner and so is Charley Johnson and Bob Brooks, a brace of fullbacks. Nelson is a fine shattered-field operative and gifted on the keep off the Split-T option. Griffith is a particularly deadly type in the open and owns a superb change of pace.

LEE CORSO, Florida St., is ace broken-field runner, and great pass defender.

DON OWENS, 6-6 and 248, figures line ace as Miss. Southern tackle.







JIMMY HARRIS, Sooner quarterback, fends off Texan Don Marony in Oklahoma drive to 14-7 win before crowd of 76,204 in Cotton Bowl. Although only 161, Harris was one of Big Seven champ's toughest runners and blockers as soph team pilot.



CECIL MORRIS, veteran guard, packs 220 pounds of senior savvy in middle sector of Oklahoma line.



JERRY TUBBS, devastating line-backer, takes over pivot post after shining as Sooner fullback in '54.



JOHN BAYUK, top rush-



SAM SALERNO, Colorado's top bidder for All-America, spearheads powerful veteran forward wall from tackle post.

HOMER JENKINS, triple-threat tailback, is counted on to make Colorado Single Wing click for Coach Dal Ward.



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Big Seven and Missouri Valley

NO SIGN OF SOONERS FOLDING: HOUSTON GETS NOD IN VALLEY

PREDICTIONS

Big Seven

- 1. Oklahoma
- 2. Colorado
- 3. Missouri
- 4. Kansas State
- 5. Nebraska
- 6. Iowa State
- 7. Kansas

Independents

- 1. Omaha
- 2. Washington U. (St. Louis)
- 3. Drake
- 4. Bradley

Missouri Valley

- 1. Houston
- 2. Oklahoma A. & M.
- 3. Wichita
- 4. Detroit
- 5. Tulsa

North Central

- 1. So. Dakota State
- 2. Morningside
- 3. South Dakota U.
- 4. Iowa Teachers
- 5. North Dakota U.
- 6. No. Dakota State
- 7. Augustana

ONLY the shifting scene in the Missouri Valley conference provides a flavor of expectancy. Oklahoma, long-time ruler of Big Seven football, still holds sway with no signs of falling off the pace.

The Sooners have won or shared the Big Seven title every year since 1946 and starting in 1948—Bud Wilkinson's second season—the Big Red has stormed on without a single league loss.

Just recently the National Collegiate Athletic Association tapped Oklahoma for some of its policies in dealing with athletes and placed O.U. on a 2-year probation.

The Sooner larder is well-stocked with good talent and thus the N.C.A.A. action is not expected to have any telling effect. Oklahoma, for instance, will not be barred from any N.C.A.A. events or the Orange Bowl. Coach Wilkinson's team missed the Miami trip last January because of the conference rule barring repeat performances.

While Oklahoma appears a cinch to take the Big Seven again this Fall, the picture in the Missouri Valley is somewhat hazy.

Wichita, last year's surprise winner, lost its coach, Jack Mitchell to Arkansas. The Shockers still have some good hands around, but don't figure in the title picture.

The nod goes to the University of Houston where Bill Meek is at the helm after pulling up stakes at Kansas State. Meek did such a terrific job in reviving K-State with thin material that he appears to be the man to get Houston—amply supplied with material—on top.

Oklahoma A. and M. might be a surprise. Cliff Speegle took over from J. B. Whitworth, who returned to his alma mater, Alabama. The Cowpokes boast Earl Lunsford, one of the best fullbacks in the area and the loop's leading ground-gainer for two years.

In addition to Meek and Speegle, other new coaches are Pete Tillman, assistant who moved up at Wichita; Bus Mertes, elevated at Kansas State; Billy Stone, who quit the Chicago Bears to become head man at Bradley; and Bobby Dobbs at Tulsa.

Major rebuilding jobs are under way at Kansas and Tulsa. Kansas lost all ten last year, Tulsa eleven. Chuck Mather at K.U. seems somewhat away just yet and the Jayhawks are tabbed to finish in the cellar.

Iowa State and Nebraska, thumped in the Orange Bowl by Duke, rank in the second division with Kansas State pegged at fifth.

Colorado appears stronger than ever and optimism is as high as the surrounding peaks. Missouri should be in the race. Coach Don Faurot, the league's dean, has some top-notch material and he has taken on a group of new, young aides to work with him.

With several teams on the upgrade, the prospects are for a tight race in the North Central conference where South Dakota State and Morningside tied for the title last Fall.

Omaha University, the Tangerine Bowl winner, again should be the class of the area independents. Coach Carl Snavely has a solid unit at Washington U. in St. Louis. Drake at Des Moines is on a sounder basis and Bradley is looking up.

Among the top performers who will bear watching are Jerry Tubbs, center at Oklahoma; Homer Jenkins, Colorado tailback; Jimmy Hunter, Missouri halfback converted to quarterback; Bill Carrington, Kansas State fullback; Jon McWilliams, Nebraska end; Jimmy Dickey, Houston quarterback; Earl Lunsford, Oklahoma A. and M. fullback; Jack Flanagan, Detroit end; Jack Conway, Wichita quarterback; Bill Englehardt, Omaha tailback; Mel Siegel, Washington tailback and Gene Hendrix, Bradley fullback.

BIG SEVEN

OKLAHOMA—Bud Wilkinson's highly successful Sooners again are decisive favorites to win the Big



JIMMY HUNTER, only vet Missouri back, shifts from half to quarterback.



AL PORTNEY, All-Big 7 Conference tackle in '54, is key Missouri lineman.

JIM FUREY (below) rates as one of top centers in loop as K-State captain.





BOB WHITEHEAD, 5-foot-9 senior, will share duties directing Kansas State attack from Split T formation.

Seven title. O.U. just recently was placed on a 2-year probationary status by the N.C.A.A. for alleged excessive athletic benefits, but even though O.U. will be under surveillance, the Sooners currently have the wherewithal to make their second appearance in the Orange Bowl next January as the conference representative.

The Sooners have been top dogs since 1946. In that year and the one following, they shared the conference title. Since then they have won it outright, hands down, going away. They are undefeated in 47 league games under Wilkinson since he took over in 1947, although he was tied by Colorado once (1952). The Sooners will lay a 19-game winning streak on the line this Fall. In all Wilkinson has won 70 and lost seven, tied three for .909. His bowl record is 3-1, three in the Sugar and one in the Orange.

Twenty-three lettermen are on the scene. Seven regulars were lost from the first team, one from the second unit and three from the third.

Regulars returning in the first string line are Bo Bolinger and Cecil Morris, guards; Edmon Gray, tackle, and Jerry Tubbs, a fullback whose original position was center. Tubbs was switched to center in the Spring and Wayne Greenlee, a second string guard last Fall, moved to fullback.

Oklahoma lost most of its top backs, but still has ample talent. Returning are Jimmy Harris at quarter, Tommy McDonald and Delbert Long, halfbacks, and Billy Pricer, fullback. All lettered.

The freshman squad was up to par as usual. That coupled with the fact that the varsity—as

usual—lost its Spring game to a rugged alumni crew, bodes bad times for the opposition. That is the normal Oklahoma pattern.

Top freshmen were Dennit Morris, center; Ken Hallum, tackle; Carl Dodd, quarterback, and Don Nelson, fullback, plus a bright halfback prospect in Rodger Taylor, a Kansas City halfback who spent most of last season sidelined with a knee injury.

Sooner weakspots are at ends. Experienced men available include Joe Mobra, John Bell, Tommy Pearson, Bob Timberlake, Hugh Ballard and Duane Goff. Mobra and Bell are likely starters.

COLORADO—Dal Ward, maestro of the Golden Buffaloes' Single Wing brigade, was openly bubbling over the situation in Spring practice.

"We've never had a gang more eager," he said. Even though he had 27 lettermen on deck, the Buff headman was surprised.

"The competition for jobs is going to make our club tough this Fall. We'll give all the other teams a good go," Ward enthused.

For one thing every player who lettered in the line last year is back. That means 20 monogramed linemen, headed by conference heavyweight wrestling champ, Sam Salerno, who packs 225 pounds at tackle. Add to this that seven 1954 lettering backs return, plus a nifty crop of sophs.

Colorado will be three deep at every line spot. At end, where there was a problem last year, the situation appears brighter with the appearance of Frank Clarke, a 6-foot, 210-pounder.

Carroll Hardy and Frank Bernardi are gone

from the backfield, but there are ample replacements.

At tailback there's Homer Jenkins, who has two years experience; Bob Stransky (180); Gene Worden (195), a triple-threater; Les Welker (185), and Jim Hudson (175). A possibility here is Homer Scott, a good passer.

Last year's regular quarter, Sam Maphis, returns. In the Spring a sophomore Dick Hyson sparkled as a quarterback-aerialist, along with veteran Pete Middlemist and Stransky.

Thin spot, according to Ward, is fullback where he has John Bayuk, 204-pound junior and one of the nation's top-gainers last year, plus Jack Becker.

At the wingback there may be a surprise in the appearance of Ray Engel, 180-pounder who did the century dash in 9.9 in high school.

Emerson Wilson, a workhorse at fullback for two seasons, is slated for a wingback assignment.

Oklahoma's toughest foe in the league, the Buffs again loom as a team with fine possibilities of ending the Sooner monopoly—but don't bet on it, just yet.

MISSOURI—The Tigers lost by graduation three experienced quarterbacks which left Coach Don Faurot, creator of the sliding or Split T formation, in a bad way. But Spring practice brought him an interesting development, the transition of Jimmy Hunter from left half to quarter and the appearance of a transfer, Dave Doane.

The 195-pound Hunter is a perfect specimen for the Split T "keeper" play. His performance kept Doane and Dick Stuber, another transfer (from Iowa State) in the shade, although either might show up on the first line.

In the final Spring game Hunter went 98 yards, an average of 7 yards a play, although a lot of it came off the spread formation.

With Hunter at quarter, the starting backfield included John Powell, left half; Joe Wynn, right half, and Gene Roll, fullback.

All except Wynn—a long-slung recruit converted from fullback—will be juniors this Fall.

In the line, newcomers showing up were these guards and tackles: Bob Lee, Frank Czapla, Don Hopkins and Julius Jensen.

Three players who could be of great help if they recover from injuries are Terry Roberts, 2-time All-Big Seven line-backer; Jim Martin, middle guard; and Bobby Gooch, a 2-year letterman at guard.

Among the outstanding returnees are Al Portney, All-Conference tackle; Tony Karakas, center; Harold Burnine, the league's top pass receiving end and Hunter.

In all 15 lettermen return, five of whom were starters last year.

KANSAS STATE—The lone coaching change of the year took place here as Bernard (Bus) Mertes moved up as head man when Bill Meek shifted to Houston.

It was a popular choice and should keep morale perked up at Manhattan where Meek got things back on a winning basis. Players worked actively for Mertes' appointment.

The new regime starts with 20 lettermen available, including two of the best fullback prospects in the league, Bill Carrington, a 5-11, 200-pound junior, and Doug Roether, same height and ten pounds lighter.

In addition, two of last year's quarterbacks who shared most of the duties are returning. They are Bob Whitehead and Jim Logsdon. Logsdon was the team's top passer.

The Wildcats can start an all-lettered backfield which would include Kenny Nesmith and Tony Addeo at the halves.

Pinion in the line is center Jim Furey, who backs up the line on defense and is a top-notch blocker. Arrayed around him are Ron Nery and Frank Rodman, lettered tackle; Bob Hilliard, a guard; and Chuck Zickefoose, end. Two sophs are in the start-



REX FISCHER, Nebraska senior, shifts to signal calling role on team hard-hit by graduation losses.

JERRY WHEELER, 230-pound soph tackle, heads group which may mold into capable Nebraska line.



ing picture, Don Zadnik, at end, and Rudy Bletscher, guard.

Kansas State should be exceptionally strong up the middle, but could use a couple more halfbacks. The end corps will be bolstered by George Laddish; guarded by George DeBitetto and Burt Schmidt.

Mertes will stick to the Split T formation, but does not plan to use alternate quarter teams as Meek did. The new coach stresses high-speed line play. Schedule is tougher, but the outlook is good.

NEBRASKA—The Big Seven's Orange Bowl representative, shelled last January at Miami by Duke, is, as someone quipped recently, "Standing in the need of prayer this Fall."

Coach Bill Glassford's Cornhuskers skidded into the bowl after Oklahoma had been declared ineligible to make the repeat trip and Colorado and Kansas State had chopped each other up.

Thirteen of the first 22 men on the Orange Bowl team have departed by graduation and there is a question on several others who are having scholastic troubles.

Among the few seniors on hand are John Edwards, fullback, and Jon McWilliams, a converted halfback who will be playing end.

Some hope rests in the fact that seven sophomores remain from last year's first two units and will operate this Fall as juniors. The first line unit was erased completely with the exception of Mc-Williams. Junior linemen being counted upon include Leroy Butherus, end; Bob Berguin, and La Verne Torczon, centers and Jim Murphy, guard.

Glassford and his staff believe there are a number of good prospects such as tackle Jerry Wheeler coming up from the frosh. With seasoning these youngsters might provide a big, mobile line.

The Cornhuskers should be well off in the back-field. Available are juniors Don Comstock, half-back; Don Erway, quarterback; Edwards at full; Willie Greenlaw, halfback, whose grades have been giving him trouble; Harry Johnson, halfback; senior Rex Fischer who likely will move from halfback to quarterback, plus two other quarterback possibilities, Gordon Englert and Don Margheim.

Upcoming standouts from the frosh team are Don Rhoda and Jerry Wheeler, tackles; Don Kampe, Joe Sadowski and Art Klein, guards; Jack Pugsley, center, and Marlin Hilding and Bob Cupper ends.

IOWA STATE—Coach Vince DiFrancesca, starting his second year at Ames, took off on the Spring session with 18 seniors, 13 juniors and 55 sophomores. Things are still in the building stage, but Vince has 19 lettermen on the work bench.

"We could be better in 1955," said DiFrancesca. "With this team we actually get our rebuilding program under way since we had very few men to work with last year. We hope to get a lot of help from our sophomores, who'll probably make up as much as 60 per cent of our travelling squad. If we can augment our manpower with these sophomores and retain the great spirit we had last Fall I feel we'll be a threat in every game in 1955."

Three lettermen and a promising junior are back from military service. The list includes Stan Cozzi, Bill Jensen and Lee Spence. Chuck Gates, another back, is expected.

One of the big problems is in developing tackles and guards. Ray Tweeten is the only tackle who



FRANK BLACK heads trio of monogram winners sharing center post at Kansas.

BEV BULLER, vet field general, is being pressed at job by yearling pair.



RAY TWEETEN, 200-lb. tackle, is lone lettered vet at post for lowa St.





JERRY FINLEY, 6-1 senior quarterback, directs lowa State hopes for '55 rise.

played enough to letter last year. Dick Callahan who lettered as a place-kicker and guard, is going to get a try at tackle. The lettered guards include Bob Wellendorf and John Murphy. Jim Lyons, a reserve, is the only center with a monogram.

At the ends are four lettermen—Harold Potts, Mel Westoupal, Bob Clark and Jim Stuelke. There are three letter quarterbacks, Jerry Finley, John Breckenridge and Daryl Hobbs. The halfbacks with letters, in addition to Cozzi and Spence are Bruce Alexander, Gary Lutz and Hank Philmon. Donn Lorenzen and Jensen are the letter fullbacks.

KANSAS—Needless to say a team that gave up 4,005 yards and 377 points to the opposition last year has its problems.

These problems occupied Coach Chuck Mather in Spring drills and Mather, starting his second year at Lawrence, hopes to solve at least some of them. His Jayhawks went without a victory in ten games.

Greatest needs are depth and talent at tackle and the same at quarterback.

Bill Bell, LaVerne Fiss, Don Martin and Mike Rogers are veteran returning ends and the outlook is promising, but could improve. Jim Hull, a hold-over, may get one tackle job. A sophomore, Frank Gibson, could be the other. Ray Bower and John Drake are holdovers. Four lettered guards brighten those positions, Dud Budrich, Don Pfutzenreuter, George Remsberg and Bob Preston. Bob Kraus, a transfer, showed up well in the Spring.

Center will be manned by Frank Black, Dick Reich and Norman Redd, all monogram winners.

In Spring drills Wally Strauch and Dave Preston, two yearlings, got the big play at quarterback, but the Jayhawks may have to call upon veterans Bev Buller and John McFarland when the chips are down.

There is more depth at halfback where two youngsters, John Francisco and John Traylor, have been standouts. Three seasoned operators are back, Ralph Moody, Dick Blowey and Terry McIntosh. Ted Rohde, a fine punter, is on deck at left half.

Jerry Baker, a sophomore-to-be, may get the fullback chore in a contest with Joe Held, lettered, Al Stevenson and Don Slicker.

Offense: Better. Defense: Questionable. Passing: Needed.

MISSOURI VALLEY

HOUSTON—The Cougars have good reason to believe that an improvement in football fortunes is in the offing. They've installed Bill Meek, a Tennessee graduate who blends the Oklahoma and Maryland Split T's, at the helm. Meek in 1953 and 1954 won more games (13) than Kansas State had amassed in ten years prior to his arrival.

Houston had a disappointing 5-5 mark last season and on hand to get Meek started are 24 letterwinners. All but four of these were starters at one time or another last Fall. There are three capable quarterbacks, Jimmy Dickey, Frank Paul and Don Flynn. Veteran Curley Johnson is at fullback. Lettermen at halfback include Donn Har-



LONG YARDAGE COM-BO at Houston is guard Jim Blackstone clearing path for scat back Scooter Stegall. Cougars are picked to win Missouri Valley grid championship.



WAYNE SHOEMAKER is also seasoned guard on other side of mighty line.

grove, Kennie Stegall and Joe Bob Smith. There are two lettered centers, Billy McIlroy, the starter, and Tom Dimmick.

Two of four seasoned guards return, Wayne Shoemaker and Jim Blackstone. Tackle should be well manned with six lettermen on tap, best of these being 215-pound Lavell Isbell.

Questionable spot is end where seven squadmen are back, but none with an outstanding record. Johnson needs backing at fullback, too.

Sophomore prospects include John Peters (210), guard; and two 170-pound halfbacks, Tommy Hall and Paul Sweeten.

Ineligible last year, but ready now, help can be expected from Owen Mulholland, fullback, who might be a key man; Jungle Jim Martin, a 225-pound guard; and Rudy Spitzenberger, tackle.

Junior college transfers looked upon favorably are Donnie Caraway, 225, fullback; Ronnie Logan and Harold Stanley, halfbacks; and Ken Watson, a 190-pound end.

New coach and new system have enthusiasm at high point.

OKLAHOMA A. & M.—The Cowpokes came out third last year behind Wichita and Houston and the storm signal is up indicating improvement. The job rests with Cliff Speegle, a product of rival Oklahoma U., who took over when J. B. Whitworth returned to his alma mater, Alabama.

The Aggie line was badly decimated by graduation and therein rests the problem.

Of the 18 returning lettermen, the best known and best horse is fullback Earl Lunsford, the Valley's top ground-gainer two years hand-running, 761 yards last year and 748 yards the year before.

With Lunsford on hand the Aggies can't be counted out.

Not figuring into plans, but a possibility is Fred Meyers, quarterback transfer from West Point who saw only 36 minutes' service last Fall because of a knee injury. He has been through surgery, did not scrimmage in the Spring. He weighs 205 and can run and pass. Big factor if he should heal.

Valuable linemen back are Jack Hutchinson, tackle, and Don Holcomb, guard. Ends appear adequate. Fine center prospect in a soph, Bob Greenhaw, but help is sorely needed at the snapper spot.

Tom Pontius and Fred Duval are ready at quarterback. Other vets who stood out in the Spring were Buddy Ryan, guard; Chester Spencer, end; Keith Kashwer, halfback; Duck Daugherty, fullback; and Hal Mahany, tackle.

Sophomore backs showing up well were Forrest Campbell, Everett Wood, Dale Duggins, and Jerry Craft. Newcomers in the line with promise were H. J. Green, Jim McGraw, John Butler, Bob Van Landingham and Bob Curtis, all averaging about 195 pounds.

WICHITA—The Wheatshockers, defending Missouri Valley champions, will operate under the direction of Pete Tillman, who moved up the ladder after Jack Mitchell packed up and moved to Arkansas.

By and large the same football pattern can be expected inasmuch as both Tillman and Mitchell were products of the University of Oklahoma.

A stiffer schedule, plus the loss of important personnel leave Wichita in an interesting position. Back to brighten the picture is Jack Conway, the talented and seasoned quarterback. Along with

MAX BLACK, 190-pound junior, moves into starting center role on 1955 edition of Tulsa grid Hurricane.



him come Leroy Hinman, a 200-pound fullback, and three of the Valley's best halfbacks, Jim Klisanin, Jim Sippy and Frank Brannen. Sippy and Klisanin, along with Conway, were top all-star team choices last season.

Centers Jack O'Toole, All-Conference, and Gil Tatman, will get some stern competition from sophomores as will guards John Waters, Dwayne Puetz and Don Floyd. At tackle, Vere Wellman and Kent Thomas, along with Max Bretches are back, plus a batch of sophomores. Willis Towne, Ed Boghosian, Jack Powell and Ron Baker make up a veteran end corps. All told there are 28 lettermen.

The Shockers will be a "marked" team. They won a flock of close ones in '54. The backfield should be strong, but the losses that may crop up costly were in the line. There should be adequate team speed and desire to retain the Valley crown.

Tackle will be the question mark spot and guard to a lesser degree. There is plenty of experience at end, but so far there is a lack of outstanding "sparkling" performance.

DETROIT—One of the best freshman squads in some time is expected to provide Coach Wally Fromhart with a sounder Titan varsity unit. These newcomers will bolster a nucleus of 16 lettermen.

At least one letterman is available at each position but it is expected some sophomores may crowd their way into the starting eleven.

Top veterans are Jack Flanagan and Perry Richards, ends; Al Baumgart, center; and Jim Lynch, halfback.

Fromhart, in his second season at Detroit, considers this the first stage in his rebuilding program.

Newcomers to watch are Al Korpak and John Marcoline, halfbacks; Harry Becker, tackle; John Carroll, center; Roger Sewell and Don Fox, guards.

Starter Tom Tramski, and lettermen Pat Galvin and Jim Lobkovich are available at quarterback to brighten the picture. There's brightness, too, at tackle where starters Dick Quadri and Steve Gomola are back to attempt to hold their spots threat-



DICK SCHOLTZ, who averaged 4.5 yards per carry last season, will handle fullback chores for Tulsa.

ened by two 235-pound newcomers, John Bridges and Harry Becker.

Dick Chednes, a squadman and Dick Chapman, soph, will help at end. Dick Vaughn, Arnold Ochs and youngsters Dick White, Sewell and Fox are guards.

Halfbacks should be Lynch at left, George Finn and Dick Burgmeier at right. Frank O'Connor is the holdover fullback with capable hands backing him up.

TULSA—Bobby Dobbs, a standout back in the 40's for Tulsa, takes over as the Golden Hurricane makes another attempt to rebuild. Tulsa failed to win one of its 11 games last Fall.

Aiding Dobbs are three other T.U. alumni, Glenn Dobbs, the school's first All-America, Rogers Lehew and Joe Gibson.

Nineteen lettermen return for service this Fall, a few squadmen and six or eight prospects from the freshman team. Dobbs looks for hard work and is not deluded as to the tough situation he faces in the reconstruction period.

From the outset of Spring practice, all positions were wide open. Such things as this took place in the tune-up period:

Tom Egan, a junior who came to T.U. as an end, went to tackle. Dick Scholtz, who worked at half-back and fullback last Fall, will concentrate on fullback chores.

Jack Morgan, an outstanding freshman guard, went to tackle while Lloyd Day, a freshman end, is at guard. Jack Larmour, a junior college guard transfer, is at center. Jim Guzzo, a senior, moved from guard to fullback and then to end.

Colin Scott, who played guard as a frosh, will go as a tackle this year. Jim Archer, who did a lot of running and passing as a freshman halfback, may be the quarterback. A yearling guard, Dave Hayes, was switched to halfback.

Other veterans returning include juniors Max Black, center; Art Davis, guard; Dick Walz, end; Dick Phillips, quarterback; and seniors Ben Noah,



JACK CONWAY, who clicked on 25 of 60 passes for nine touchdowns, again directs Wichita attack.

end; Kenny Kmet, halfback; and Dale Lawyer, halfback.

INDEPENDENTS

OMAHA—These Indians from Nebraska boomed into prominence last year by winning nine straight games and capping the season with a 7 to 6 victory over Eastern Kentucky in the Tangerine Bowl.

Including that bowl triumph, Omaha will carry a string of 14 victories into the 1955 campaign, extending back to the last four games of the '53 season.

Coached by Lloyd Cardwell, one-time Nebraska star and with the Detroit Lions in the pro ranks, the Indians have reason to be optimistic with the return of Bill Englehardt.

A triple-threat tailback, Englehardt ran 1, 2, or 3 most of the season in total offense and made the Little All-America team. The 5-10, 190-pound junior, who this year will operate at quarterback in the unbalanced T formation, averaged 4.36 on 134 carries in '54, completed 56 of 109 passes for 1,061 gain and 12 touchdowns. His offense total was 1,645 yards, tops on the N.C.A.A. final small college list. He scored a total of 88 points in regular season play. His year was capped by being named most valuable player in the Tangerine game.

Along with him returns Ed Baker, 6-2, 210-pound senior tackle, who will be this year's captain. Once at Nebraska U., he went into service and played two years with Fort Riley. Tabbed as smart and fast.

Halfback Bill Steck, who also is available, shines as a pass receiver and defensive player. Five of six top ground gainers, and four of five total offense men are on call to help extend the Indian string.

JIM KLISANIN, who netted 527 yards for a 7.32 average, assures Wichita of backfield power and speed.



WASHINGTON U (ST. LOUIS) -Coach Carl Snavely looks to the coming campaign with confidence of fielding a good first unit, but he isn't so well-heeled in reserves.

With blocking back Bob Ladd, tailback Mel Siegel and fullback Ted Dunn returning from last year's high-scoring backfield, Snavely has to replace only Jim Burst, a fleet wingback and holder of the school's all-time scoring record (73 points

Either Don Buercklin, 185-pound junior, or Don Polkinghorne, 172-pound sophomore, probably will replace Burst.

In the line the Bears will be without John Krause and Leo Carosella, guards, and Jean Dubail and Don Rott, ends, and center Jack Dietrich. Guards Bill Bollinger, Rich Dammkoehler, David Ladd and Don Schmuck; tackles Ron Meier, Jesse Horstman and Jim Meiners, and Bill Moxley, end, will be back to give Washington one good line.

If Don Schlapprizzi's fractured arm has healed, the Bears' end corps will be in good shape despite the loss of Dubail. Moxley, last year's leading pass receiver; Don Saure, Bill Bouchein and Schlapprizzi will vie for the starting end slots.

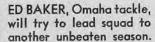
Washington will have 21 lettermen and 16 junior varsity hands back from the team that won six and lost three. The Bears dropped two by one point, 6-7 to Western Michigan and 19-20 to Bradley. Naturally Snavely will spend considerable time developing a place-kicker.

DRAKE -With more experience and depth, the Bulldogs figure to improve upon their 2-7 record of last year.

Mainspring in a good offense is Gene (The Moose) Hendrix, 210-pound senior fullback who averaged 4 yards a carry in amassing a 692-yard total in '54. Linked with Hendrix is Jerry Mertens, who as a freshman end caught 28 passes for 495 vards and four touchdowns. That ranked him fifth nationally.

> BILL ENGELHARDT, Omaha's triple threat tailback, won numerous local honors in '54, will take

over quarterback spot.





Hendrix scored 51 points and is good on kickoff returns. Roger Aceto, another end who will team with Mertens, snared 20 aerials for 242 yards.

The Drake line will be bolstered by the return of George Smith from military duty. A one-time Single Wing quarterback, Coach Warren Gaer expects to use Smith at guard. An all-lettered line is possible with the exception of Harry Drier, a transfer student, at guard.

Best running threat could be Ronny Lind, a regular as a freshman last season. Ron Diedrich and Roger LaBrasca, two sophomores, will battle it out at quarterback.

Gaer's biggest worry is at halfback, a carryover from the last campaign. Left half was not especially strong and there was a lack of a breakaway threat at right half.

Warren Kinzel may fill the bill as punter, a department that needs strengthening.

BRADLEY-The Braves are making steady improvement. In 1953 Bradley won only one while last year they lost only one but had three ties. The lone defeat was 0-39 to another powerful independent, Omaha.

This year the football reins will be in the hands of Billy Stone, a Bradley alumnus who leaves the Chicago Bears to try his hand at coaching. He replaces Steve Sucic, who became an aide at Kansas State.

A look at the Bradley roster indicates that the trend upward may well continue. Key losses were Don Stamp, passing quarterback, and Allan Marr, end and pass catcher.

Stone will have Dave Shlemon, Bob Mundelius and Charles Harrell at center; Earl Schmidt, Bob Ryan and Vernon Townsend, guards; Tom Stolki, Bill Roehnelt and Ron Happach, tackles; Don Joos, Gerald McDermed and Joe Spapperi, ends.

John Watson, a junior, probably will be Stamp's replacement at quarterback, followed by Ivan Tate and Roger Hanson.

Dave Bremer, Dale Ems and Glenn Phelps are left half candidates. Last year Ems had a 5.4 average on 67 carries, Breme 8.3 on seven carries. At right half in the picture are Don Hakes, Al Gatti and Duane Lovestrand.

MEL SIEGEL, who completed 62 of 124 passes for 868 yards, again sparks Washington (St. Louis) attack.





Frank Goza, 190-pound senior fullback, returns for more workhorse duties. Last season he carried 42 times and averaged 6.1. He was thrown for a loss only once in the season, 2 yards. Howard Hostetler and Jim Clark are on hand to spell him.

Watson and Hostetler likely will handle the punting, a chore formerly performed by the versatile Stamp. Ems is the kick-off man and Hakes and Ems will be deep to handle punt returns.

NORTH CENTRAL CONFERENCE

SOUTH DAKOTA STATE—The defending cochampion Jackrabbits will again have to face problems in line depth. Returning backfield material should be adequate although the Jacks lost Little All-America quarterback Jerry Welch and All-Conference fullback Roger Denker. Losses in the line were especially heavy including Hank Backlund, Little All-America center; Jack Nitz, All-Conference tackle; and Roger Kerns, All-Conference guard.

Coach Ralph Ginn, whose teams have won or tied for the title four times since 1949, believes that his first eleven will be adequate but fears a string of injuries such as last fall could send the Jackrabbits into the second division.

Probable stars this Fall include halfback Larry "Bubb" Korver, tackle Harwood Hoeft, 286-pound center Dick Klawitter and halfback Bill McDonald.

MORNINGSIDE—A taste of the title last Fall has the Maroons hoping for more. Seven players of the 1955 team, including Little All-America back Buck Miller, are missing but the Maroons figure to be as strong or even tougher than last year. Guards Roger Gohring and Kermit Isaacson and end Bob Miller were All-Conference selections last year and also are gone.

Carry-over stars from 1954, returning servicemen, junior college transfers and a top-flight freshman squad are expected to plug the gaps and furnish more bench strength than available last season.

The backfield operating from a tricky Single Wing could again be one of the best in the league. Junior college transfer Don Hoffman is heir apparent to Buck Miller's quarterback post. Veteran backs include Darold Puff, All-Conference fullback; tailback Bob Meinhardt, and wingbacks Vern Wyland and Cliff Hinrichs. Coach Clayton Droullard's Maroons will again be contenders for the title.

SOUTH DAKOTA U—Coyote prospects are definitely good. Coach Gamage lost only four players from last year's team which tied for third. All-Conference center Ray Rifenbark and fullback Fred Rovere are the major losses. Most of last year's squad were sophomores who found themselves after mid-season.

Halfback Carl Johnson was the league's most prolific rusher and scorer and an all-loop choice. One of the best freshman teams in school history should provide needed depth and perhaps several starters. Sophomore fullback Wayne Ailts could be one of the Mid-West's best punters as well as a ball-carrying threat. This could be the year for the Covotes to take the crown.

IOWA TEACHERS—Coach Buck Starbeck's everdangerous Panthers will be without the bullseye pitching of Ralph Capitani but will still have his favorite target, end Dick Beetsch. This combination has been the best in the conference and among the national leaders for the past two years. Probable successor to Capitani is Ollie Isaak. Definitely a better runner from the spinback position in the Single Wing, he shows promise of becoming as proficient in passing as his predecessor.

The Teachers need some help in the line and several hard-running backs to improve on their 3-3 league mark in 1954 when they were in contention until the final two games. Tackle LeRoy Dunn will again be one of the loop's best linemen.

NORTH DAKOTA U—This will be a year of rebuilding for the Sioux. Injuries to key personnel in '54, kept the Nodaks from reaching their peak. Eleven seniors lost including All-Conference halfback Dick Ryan and all-loop guard Ron Kubesh leave plenty of holes for Coach Frank Zazula to plug.

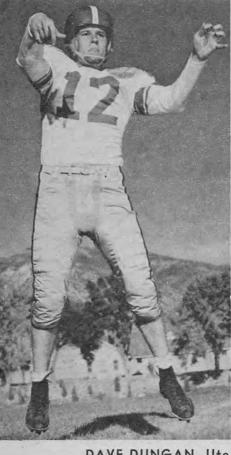
Biggest problems are in the line as experienced reserves are set to take over the backfield which was completely wiped out. Help is needed from the freshman squad if the Sioux are to improve their 3-3 mark of 1954 which was good for a third place tie. Center Ron Kavadas should again be one of the league's best.

NORTH DAKOTA STATE—Growing pains may be evident in Coach Del Anderson's rebuilding program. An outstanding freshman squad is expected to provide depth for the Bison. The unpredictable Bison kept Morningside from the undisputed title in their only win of the season. Anderson's second year at the helm should find an improved team that is eager but inexperienced. Among the departed seniors is All-Conference end Glenn Hill.

Expected to lead the team are guard Emil Zueger and Pat Vickers, an All-Conference selection at guard who also saw action at center and fullback last year.

AUGUSTANA—With the entire 1954 squad returning, the Vikings are expecting their best season in years. Coach Lloyd Falgren is counting on support from last season's freshman team to bolster some of the weak spots and pull Augustana out of its cellar spot of recent years. All-Conference fullback Mike Dahl and three-year veteran guard Jim Gednalske may be the top stars along with halfback Chuck Howlin.

Other vets returning are Al Benson, guard; Paul Jensen, tackle, and ends Phil Nelson and Bill Simpson.



DAVE DUNGAN, Ute field general, set Skyline pass pace with 74 in 124.

JOE MASTROGIOVAN-NI, Wyoming cowboy star



MARTIN BEZYACK, injured last season, is fit and looms capable second quarterback to Dungan.



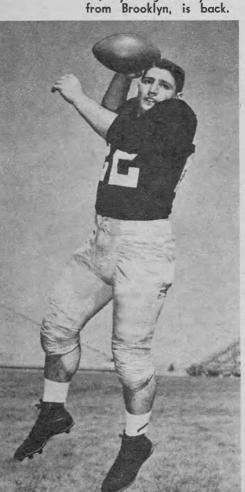
DAVE GERMANN, senior Utah end, ranks as a good pass catcher and defensive wall in title bid.



ED HORVAT, 1954 Skyline lineman of the year, mans right tackle post on strong Denver forward wall.



JIMMY BOWEN, 155-pound senior pass ace, has completion average of over half in 2 Denver seasons.



BUCK SHAW (center) is pictured with Major F. E. Merritt (left) and Lt. Col. R. V. Whitlow as he accepted post of civilian consultant for Air Force Academy gridders who make debut in Denver this Fall.



JOHN WATTS, speedy Wyoming wingback, is fine pass catcher as well as steady threat on reverses.

CLARENCE CARTER, 6-2 senior end, is Wyoming Cowpokes' alternate captain for Fall campaign.







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Rockies

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PREDICTIONS

Skyline

- 1. Utah
- 2. Wyoming
- 3. Denver
- 4. Colorado A. & M.
- 5. Utah State
- 6. New Mexico
- 7. Montana
- 8. Brigham Young

6. Colorado College 7. Adams State

Rocky Mountain

1. Montana State

3. Western State

4. Colorado Mines

5. Colorado State

2. Idaho State

U.S. Air Force Academy (Freshman)

NEW football era, and with it a new interest in gridiron play by both schools and public, comes to Rocky Mountain high country in 1955.

The new United States Air Force Academy, its athletic program patterned after those of Army and Navy, opened in temporary quarters at Lowry Field, Denver, on July 11, with an initial "freshman" enrollment of 340 students, the majority with athletic backgrounds.

Under the direction of Lawrence (Buck) Shaw, former head coach of the professional San Francisco Forty-niners, the "Eagles"-or whatever bird the airmen choose as their mascot-will field a "freshman" club this year, using the Denver University 32,000 seat stadium as a home field. By 1957 the Airmen will be in their own 50,000 seat stadium on the new Academy site at Cathedral Rock, 17 miles north of Colorado Springs. They are scheduled to open against Iowa. In the interval their freshman club, this year, will play the frosh of Skyline and Big Seven schools, with games against Rocky Mountain Conference members in 1956.

The coming of the Academy to the Rockies has already placed its mark on local football. Skyline schools, anxious to find a place on the financially profitable Airman schedule, and/or to field teams which will attract paying customers in competition, have rooted out much of the ivy which threatened the league recently.

The Skyline enjoyed a healthy attendance increase in 1954, due largely to Denver's surprising showing under head coach Bob Blackman. Denver, rated no better than third, won its first undivided championship in 40 years, losing only to Wyoming. League attendance was up from 319,415 in 1953 to

375,527. Denver contributed 35,719 of this increase. Indications this year are for a half-million.

Three coaching changes have occurred. Blackman and his entire staff moved on to Dartmouth. John Roning, from Utah State College, was hired to replace him and brought his first assistant, Cal Stoll, with him. Everette Founce (Minn. '49), an assistant under Roning, moved up to head man for the Aggies. Roning was hired by Denver, after consultations with Utah State faculty, after head coaching the Skyline All-Stars (graduating seniors) to a victory over the Border Conference All-Stars in the New Year's Salad Bowl game at Phoenix. The Skyline and Border conferences have renewed their pact for next New Year's. Head coach Eddie Chinske resigned at Montana and has been succeeded by Jerry Williams (Washington State '49) and an all new staff.

There appears to be a very wide margin between the first and second division clubs in this year's Skyline race. Actually it is a three horse affair, on paper. Utah last season had the best freshman squad in the school's history. Its varsity will have depth and speed. Against this, Wyoming, disappointing in 1954, should have the power. Its backfield looks best in the conference. Denver, if it wins, will do it largely on defense. The team that could spoil it for everybody is Colorado A. & M.

Utah State, New Mexico, Brigham Young and Montana appear weaker than in 1954—and none of them presented a real threat then.

In the Rocky Mountain conference—the "Little Six" league of smaller schools-Montana State, with a new coach, Wally Lemm, successor to Toni Storti, resigned, should come up with the title.

The league had quite a mixup as to its 1954 title winner. Montana State won on the field but faculty representatives ruled the Bobcats used Vic Berra, an ineligible end, in three conference contests. The faculty men threw these victories out, thus giving runner-up Western State College of Gunnison the title. Montana State refused to accept the ruling and is flying the pennant from its field house. Western State also flies a championship flag.

Back of Montana State this year it appears Idaho State has the power and depth to be a trouble-maker. Western State will again be very strong, with Colorado Mines, Colorado State and Colorado College following in order. The league will expand

to seven clubs in 1956, with Adams State admitted.

All teams are handicapped by the conference rule forbidding Spring practice. The clubs again will play a double round-robin schedule.

Talk persists that there will be a drastic realignment by next season—that a number of Nebraska and Kansas teachers' colleges will be brought in with the Colorado clubs and Montana and Idaho will move into a league embracing Oregon and Washington small colleges.

SKYLINE CONFERENCE

UTAH—Football fortunes were low in Salt Lake City in 1954. An in-and-out club, being rebuilt by head coach Jack (Grandma) Curtice, the Indians alternated good days with bad ones. This year Curtice, blessed with the best freshman squad in the history of the school, appears a good 30 per cent stronger, in every department.

The Utes play an ambitious schedule including non-conference battles with Missouri and Colorado of the Big Seven and Oregon and Idaho of the Pacific Coast conference. It is Curtice's belief he has the speed and power to handle the Indians' share of the job.

While 10 lettermen departed the most hurtful losses were Orville Nellestein and Max Pierce. Fifteen lettermen return, including end Dave Germann, tackles Don Barr, Lynn Simons and Pete Riehlman; guard T. J. Otterbein, quarterback Dave Dungan, who developed greatly in 1954; right halfback Herb Nakken and fullback Lou Mele.

It will, however, be the sophomores, working under Curtice's version of the Winged T, and employing a lot of "wide stuff" on which success or failure depends. Three sophomore ends, George Boss, Alex Kane and Dick White hold great promise. There are two top tackles, Everet Jones and Larry Amizich. Guards are Jack Uale, Gary Williams and Bob Lee, with two centers, John Urses and Roger Butler. Gary Tomlinson is a promising quarterback who can pass. Halfbacks Stuart Vaughan and Karl Jensen will see much action. Two good fullbacks are available—Merrill Douglas and Larry Fields.

It is felt that sophomores Boss, Jones, Butler and Fields may even rate All-Conference honors, thus giving the Utes wonderful depth.

Other top lettermen at end are Bud Cross, Dave Germann and Charles Wells. Barr and Riehlman along with junior Del Ray Anderson will have to fight sophs at tackle. Simons, a guard last year, will add strength to tackle. Guards will be strong, especially Otterbein, a returning service man. No letterman is available for center.

At quarterback, the Utes have a fine assortment of signal callers. But the bulk of the work will fall on Dungan. He was the leading passer in the league last season. Martin Bezyack, hurt in the Washington game, is fit and should prove himself.

At left half senior Carl Roepke is the only veteran, but he has fine sophomore backing. On the right side Utah has Nakken and Jed Gibson, veterans, and another flock of lads up from the frosh.

So plentiful is the supply that Dick Morley, a good left half, has been moved to fullback where he will spell Mele. Punting will be in the hands of the very skilled Kent Nielsen.

It appears Curtice has come up with the horses to pull his wagon into the No. 1 spot.

WYOMING—The Cowboys were a disappointment to their followers last year. And no team in the nation has more followers, population wise, than the Laramie 'Pokes—football is a disease among them. The club, however, was no disappointment to head coach Phil Dickens, who said his charges were "a year away." This is the year of which Dickens spoke.

His squad is big—70 men. He had some hurtful losses—fullback George Galuska, center Frank Radella, tackle John Lenihan and end Jack O'Neil, among others.

But his star, "Cowboy Joe" Mastrogiovanni, the quarterback from Brooklyn, beloved on every sheep and cattle ranch from Cheyenne to the Tetons, is back, and again will direct Wyoming's "Tennessee Wing"—a system liberally sprinkled with "T" variations.

The 'Pokes have excellent backfield material. There is good speed to go with the passing of Mastrogiovanni—a lad who has running power of his own as well as good kicking ability. Tailback Jerry Jester and wingback John Watts are the speed boys. Watts could be the backfield sleeper of the league, due to his quick reflexes and his ability to go around the corners on reverses. He is also a capable pass catcher. Watts will be spelled by senior Butch Wilson, a fine defensive man. Larry Zowada will spell "Joe M." while Jim Crawford appears the man to fill in for the fleet Jester. If the Wyoming backfield has a weakness it is at fullback although Ova Stapleton has improved over last season. Warren Benson is No. 2 man here.

While the 'Pokes suffered end losses the position still appears to have strength in Buster Elder,



RON JAEGER, vet guard at New Mexico, ranks among toughest in loop.

JERRY LOTT, offensive leader as soph, will again direct New Mexico attack.



backed by sophomore Bob Marshall. Clarence (Bugs) Carter may win All-Conference honors at end. Others are sophomores Adam Krivoshia and Gresham Roskamp.

Wyoming has three outstanding tackles—Dave Bratcher, Dick Pilch and captain Ray Lutterman, the latter possibly No. 1 in the league. The weak side here is the strong side and Dickens has moved end Perry Mitchell into the breach. John Maffoni, Leo McClellan and Jack Langford head the guards.

At tackle John Higgins and guard Frank Bonds, up from the freshman, provide reserves.

Center can be the key to Wyoming's success. Vince Guinta is the lone letterman—and he suffered injuries in the Spring which may recur this Fall. Two transfers—George Jefferson from Sunflower (Miss.) J.C. and Grover Page from Georgia Military, may be alternating ball-passers.

Wyoming coaching staff remains intact except for Clayton Stapleton, line coach, who moved to Oregon State. Bob Hicks took over his duties.

The club could take it all and should definitely be in the first three.

DENVER—A complete uprooting of the ivy which smothered Denver University campus saw the Pioneers, under Blackman, roar to the school's first unshared Skyline championship in 1954, and become the popular choice to repeat this season. Attendance jumped from 57,612 to 93,331, the best in the league.

But even as Denver was celebrating, Blackman and his entire staff pulled up stakes, moving on to Dartmouth.

Dr. Chester A. Alter, Denver's athletic loving president, immediately entered into negotiations with Utah State for the services of John Roning, who coached the Skyline (senior) All-Stars to victory over the Border Conference All-Stars in the Salad Bowl. His assistants are, Cal Stoll from Utah State; John Shelley, from Oklahoma, Bill Heiss, Iowa State, and Dale Hardy, Trinidad J.C.





PAUL WESKAMP, 215-lb. tackle, again ranks as standout in Montana line.

DALE SHUPE, Montana captain, is old fashioned block-busting type back.

Backfield losses from Denver's championship team were terrific. Quarterback Rusty Fairly, halfbacks Fred Tesone and Fred Mahaffey, and fullback Walt Anderson left in a unit via graduation. So did two fine replacements, halfback Willie Anthony and fullback Danny Biro.

But 15 lettermen, plus Harry Taggert of the 1951 team who has been in service, are back. And the Denver line should hold up against any in the league. On the right side Denver could be sensational with All-Conference tackle Ed Horvat and end Larry Ross. Ross, a giant Negro, with glue on his hands, should be outstanding. In addition Roning has outstanding line prospects in center Bob Ball, tackles Ed Stuart and Charles Olson; center Rich Mucha, and 220-pound Ben Miller, a guard transfer from Lincoln University.

Quarterback Jimmy Bowen is one of the best passers in the Skyline conference. Gene Gatewood, a transfer from Drake, and ranking 16th in the nation in total offense in 1953, should prove helpful.

Denver's best freshman team in years sent up guards Ed Haney and Bob Huber, both of whom may become starters. Halfbacks Willie Frank and Keith Pocock also are sophomores who will see a world of action.

Roning, who played under Bernie Bierman at Minnesota, came to Utah State as a Single Wing teacher. He has switched to the Split T, and spent two weeks, last spring, at Norman, Okla., watching Bud Wilkinson's drills. The switch is not a major one for Denver, Blackman having used what he called "The V Formation." It is a Split T with the fullback placed next to the quarterback and used largely as a blocker. Denver veterans turned readily in Spring drills to the more orthodox "T", with the line split.

In a coaches' poll, Denver was picked to repeat as champions.

COLORADO A. & M.—If greatness of a coaching staff rubs off on the team, the Aggies of Fort Collins, Colo., should have a terrific year.

For assisting head coach Bob Davis and his chief aide, Mark Duncan, in Spring drills were three of pro football's outstanding performers. Three Detroit Lions, Jack Christensen, famed for his runbacks of kickoffs and punts; Jim David, defensive star ,and Thurman (Fum) McGraw, outstanding tackle, all A. & M. graduates, gave full time to teaching the young Aggies their skills. McGraw, quitting pro football, remained to become the Colorado Farmers' line coach.

While not as strong on paper as Utah, Denver and Wyoming, the Aggies should field a team which on any given Saturday afternoon could defeat any other club in the conference. Losses were normal. Nine lettermen will not be back. Tackles Bill Tavener and Reid Graves, halfback Dick Braun, guards Rollie Moore and Jim Hartman will be missed.

But 15 lettermen have returned. Outstanding should be quarterback Gary Glick, who won "Back of the Week" honors nationally last season for his hard running and passing ability. Others who should stand out in the Aggie lineup include Bob Weber, a center, and a returning service man. Guard John Dekleva, end Dan Mirich, and halfbacks Bill Peters and Jerry Zaleski. Zaleski also returns from service in which he saw much football action.

Sophomores, up from a good freshman team, are being counted on to fill several starting berths. Tackles Charles Fisher and Bill Woods will see much action as will guard Fred Wolf. A promising fullback, Bill Day, is another returning service man. Quarterback Rich Smith will be behind Glick, and based on his work in Spring drills, will be used often. Two sophomore halfbacks, Bill Seder and Ron Erickson, with end Bill Rhoten and center Andy Jeanor, are being counted on to assure the Aggies a first division berth.

The club, with a 40-man squad, a big one for Aggies, will operate under the Split T, with Glick in charge. He, and center Bob Weber, may win All-Conference honors. The Aggies should finish no lower than fourth in the Skyline race.

UTAH STATE COLLEGE—Thin in experience in the line, but with old heads in command in the backfield, Utah State, at Logan, Utah, moves into the 1955 season under a new head coach, Everette G. Faunce (Minnesota '49), and assistant in 1954 to John Roning. Ralph Maughan, line coach, also remains. Two new men, Jack Enlson, end coach, last year an assistant at Colorado U., and Evan Sorenson, an all-time Utah State great, will assist. They will, as did Roning, teach the Split T, and believe that in returning quarterback Kent Harris they have the man to run the machine.

Greatest loss was the graduation of ends Matt Trontel and Charlie Hatch, the latter All-Conference. Missed from the backfield will be Tom Lorenat.

In all 20 lettermen are back, and some most promising sophomores looked good in Spring drills.

The latter include halfback Pete Lenotti, fullback Morris Mantz; end Lou Jones and guard Gary Lund.

Replacements in the line may be coach Faunce's biggest problem. He has top material as starters including tackles Reed Henderson and Tom Ramage; guard Jack Hutton; end Jay Herring; fullback Morris Mantz, a possible All-Conference man; halfbacks John Karwick and Dick Toner; center Tom Ramsdell; fullback Norm Prince and the slick ballbandler Harris at guarterback.

In the first team strength Utah State is definitely a first division club and with what old timers say is "the finest spirit in the history of the school" the club might develop into a title threat.

NEW MEXICO—Any way one figures it, New Mexico has little to be optimistic about. The Lobos, who had a 5-5 record in 1954, lost 18 regulars.

However head coach Bob Titchenal, who has switched from a straight T to the Oklahoma Split, is hopeful that speed among his 34 sophomores will make up for inexperience. Defense, New Mexico's strong point in past seasons, is certain to be weaker.

Actually the Lobos lost their full first team by graduation—men like their great center Larry White, Jack Eaton, A. L. Terpening, Jay Crampton, Marlin Pound, Ray Guerette, Dick Lauderdale and Bobby Morgan.

However, Titchenal does not own a crying towel. He thinks his junior quarterback Jerry Lott may be All-Conference. Ron Jaeger, a senior guard; Billy Keys, sophomore fullback; Dick Drake, junior end; Jerry Apodaca and Jimmy Juarez, both guards, have, in their coach's opinion, great promise. Some good sophomores will be starters. Clark Manwarren, a 198-pound fullback and Keys, 170, looked good in Spring drills. So did tackles Wayne Gares, 210, and Glen Hakes, 220. Guards Charlie Thompson, 200, and Jerry Nesbitt, 187.





JOHN COBABE, 6-2 Brigham Young tackle, is one of trio of vets forming team nucleus.

GARY GLICK, clever JOHNNY VELASCO, Colorado A.&M. quarter- stocky Hawaiian, figures back, in All-America bid. high in B.Y. fullback plan.



Even wearing rose colored glasses its most enthusiastic supporters in Albuquerque's Quarterback Club envision no better than fifth place for this youthful team of, as president Tom Popejoy, the athletic purist of the Rockies, terms them, "students".

MONTANA—The new look has come to Montana University's Missoula campus. Jerry R. Williams (Washington State, '49) succeeds Eddie Chinskey, resigned, as head coach and brings with him a complete new staff of Fred Naumetz (Boston College, '43) and Robert Zimny (Indiana '51).

The Grizzlies of 1954 have been all but wiped out with the departure by graduation of 13 of the club's 23 lettermen. Missed most will be Dick Imer, All-Conference halfback who last season set a league record of 889 yards in 111 carries. Others sorely missed will be halfback Murdo Campbell, team captain, and quarterback Dick Heath.

The snows that blow down from the Canadian Rockies held up Williams' Spring drills until May but the new coach found some promising material. Top returning back should be "Dangerous Dale" Shupe, a veteran halfback, alternating at fullback, over two seasons. Paul Weskamp, 215, tackle and Doug Dasinger, 190-pound guard, shape up as All-Conference linemen. Two transfers, Wally Mading, 6'2", 190, and Terry Hurley, 6'3", 195, looked promising at end. Veterans Bob Small, center, and Buck Gehring, tackle, are assured of starting jobs.

Williams, 31, is the youngest head coach at Montana since Bernie Bierman started his famed career there in 1919. He has installed the T formation with variations learned from the camps of the professional Los Angeles Rams and Philadelphia Eagles, with whom he played for six years. His will be a wide open game with lots of aerials. Much of the success of this attack will depend on Paul Enochson, who lettered as a quarterback, back of Heath, in '54. Another passing prospect is soph Roy Bray.

Cream of the school's freshman crop appears to be Naseby Rinehart Jr., son of the Montana trainer. Ervin (Tank) Rosera has prospects of being the best fullback at Montana in a number of years. The Johnson boys (not related)—Howard at halfback, Ron at fullback and Roger at guard will see much action.

BRIGHAM YOUNG—The "youth movement" is on at Brigham Young University at Provo, Utah. Between Mormon church missions and graduations only three of the 1954 starting eleven are returning. Consequently, head coach Charles (Chick) Atkinson has the problem of molding young, green material into balance.

The three returnees are good ones—Phil Oyler, a fleet-footed halfback; Ralph Powers, 195, and John Cobabe, 185, at tackles. Atkinson must build around this trio.

Position by position the flanks should be adequately anchored by Tom Verbanatz and Ray Neel. It is possible Marlo Holland will win a starting berth. Many feel Verbanatz may develop into All-Conference material.

The tackle posts will be the Cougars' strength with Dave Hanks in reserve. Guards, in comparison, are weak. Jay Weenig, on the left side, is the one outstanding prospect. Two centers, Jim Warner and Paul Dalebout, will be back of lettermen Famika Anae and Glen Taylor.

The Cougars' real weakness appears at quarter-back. Henry West of the '54 team graduated, Ron Bean was called to service and Dave Kimball, Athletic Director Eddie Kimball's son, was sent on a mission. The only man with experience in the slot, Dalton Overstreet, had to be switched to half-back. Bob Olson, a transfer from Glendale, J.C., carries Atkinson's hopes here. Sophomores Don Dixon and Carroll Johnson will see a lot of action.

At halfback the picture is brighter. Oyler should be a standout in the conference and Jim Crittenden, a 440 runner; Gary LaComb and Willard Stolworthy will rank with the best. Johnny Velasco, strong and rugged, should be able to play 60-minute fullback and he may have to. Dave McLaren is his replacement.

Sophomores of promise include halfbacks Herb Pingree and Raynor Pearce; tackles Roy Bennion, Fred Leavitt and Bill Matthews, the latter alternating at guard.

The Cougars use a modified T.

The club is definitely a second division one and may fight it out with Montana U. for seventh place.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN CONFERENCE

MONTANA STATE—With the resignation of Toni Storti as head football coach at Montana State college at Bozeman, his assistant and head basketball coach Wally Lemm took over with a minimum of change. Lemm will maintain the T and have the bulk of last year's championship team with which to execute it. The club suffered but two graduation losses—Ray Schoessler, All-Conference guard, and Tom Hoff, second string fullback. Twenty-five lettermen have returned. Leading the Bobcat pack is Harvey Wylie, All-Conference and Little All-America mention halfback.

The picture is a pretty one. The lineup stacks up with at least two lettermen in every position. Teaming with Wylie in the backfield are quarter-back Wayne Weiler, halfback Frank Landon and fullback Don Edwards, an All-Conference selection.

Up front 225-pound Ron Warzeka was an All-League tackle as a sophomore last Fall. His running mate appears to be 240-pound Ed Ritt. The starting ends are Bob Black and Jim Posewitz, both 180-pounders, rangy and rugged. Center of the line was one of the 1954 team's main strengths and center Jim Argeris and guard Herb Roberts return. It is possible Argeris may be used as a guard. In that event Don Rockey will be the snapper-back. He has lettered at both end and center.

Up from a fairly good greenie squad will be a number of reserves. The best of these appears to be Gene Schilling, a 200-pound guard who should be a starter from the beginning of the season. The Bobcats have a total squad of 45, large for Rocky Mountain Conference teams.

IDAHO STATE—Idaho State college of Pocatello, coached by Italo (Babe) Caccia, using a T attack, had one of the most impressive squads, physically in the league in 1954. However, the potentiality of this fine team was only realized on one or two occasions and the Bengals wound up with a 4-4 record.

Eight members of the 1954 team are missing, including halfback Bus Connor and quarterback Larry Brackenbury.

Despite backfield losses the big problem is in the center of the line. Only returnee letterman here is Walt Turner. The tackle posts are strong—probably strongest spots on the team. Al (The Bear) Stephenson returns from Navy duty. This 6'-4" junior weighs 240 and is fast. Other tackles are Paul Tripp and Howard Green, 1954 All-Conference selections. At end the Bengals have a fine sophomore, Bob Hodson. And at guard, Hillary Butcher.

Two outstanding sophomores will add quarter-back strength. They are Ken Petersen and Tom Zaun. Both can throw and both kick well. At half-back Jim Wagstaff will attempt to fill Connor's shoes. Returning lettermen for the backfield are Larry Kent, Ken Dahlberg, Jack Logan and George DiOrio, all good ball handlers.

Caccia will keep to the air as much as possible. If the youngsters in the center of the line hold up and with the right bounce of the ball Idaho State could take down the bunting. The team, however, is figured just a notch below Montana State.

WESTERN STATE—The most improved team in the conference over the past two years goes into the 1955 campaign with probably the greatest offensive threat in the circuit.

Spearheading Coach Willard (Pete) Pedersen's attack will be two great backs—Bill Rhodes, 190 and Jim Roser, 175.

The club's weak spot at tackle last season stands





HOWARD GREEN, 2year All-Conference tackle, leads Idaho St. line.

HARVEY WYLIE, Montana State back, sets new school mark of 100 points. to be improved. Phil Knupp was shifted from end and is a top notch lineman. So is Elmer Rice, "The Arizona strong boy," a last year sub moved into a starting berth.

The ends are strong with a foursome of Theron Bradford, All-Conference selection; Max Wheeler, a fine pass receiver; Dick Mikkelson and Jim Kropp. The Mountaineers lost a most valuable center in Jim Richards, who graduated. This spot will be hard to fill and since the club had no Spring practice a replacement must be developed through the early season.

Bob Mears is the lone returning quarterback but a most capable one. He will be backed up by Gary Principe, a transfer from Danbury, Conn. Other promising newcomers will be halfback Gary Noddings, up from the freshmen; Sam Boyd, a fullback, who may fill in at center. All-Conference possibilities are Rhodes, Roser, Bradford, Knupp and Mears.

If the center of the line develops Western State could take it all with its fine backfield and ends.

COLORADO MINES—The Orediggers coached by Fritz Brennecke, will field a team with an experienced letterman at every position. Always a fighting ball club they will give trouble to any outfit in the circuit.

Three big obstacles are in the Orediggers' road, however. The faculty recently lengthened the school day by 35 minutes. Since students at Mines already had to carry 19 hours of credits practice time is very limited. Secondly there is the lack of Spring drills to develop the Single Wing employed by Brennecke and finally the Orediggers have an unfavorable schedule as they go five weeks in a row without a home contest.

The team lost eight of last year's lettermen by graduation. Outstanding players this year should be Paul Kloberdanz, fullback; Bill Yopp, at quarter; Bob Doll, end; and John Blomberg and Chuck Daugherty, tackles. Two very promising sophomores who will see much action are John Allen, a center, and Dave Jergensen, a fleet running back. Daugherty and Doll should be outstanding in conference play.

The team should fight it out with Colorado State for fourth place.

COLORADO STATE—Coach Joe Lindahl, who took over from the veteran John Hancock, now athletic director at Greeley, last season, goes into his second year as head coach with the outlook for a better balanced, heavier team than the one which, in 1954, won but one game while losing seven.

Graduation losses will not cut too heavily into the Colorado State roster. However, guards Jerry McMillen and Rockne Copple, quarterback Bob Mantooth and tackle Charles Willingham will be missed.

Returning lettermen include Bill Callahan, end; Foster Campbell, 200-pound fullback; Ted Childers, also at full; and end John Colgate. Others heavily counted on are guard Bob Walters, tackle Len Prothe and halfbacks Bill Frick and Bob Lord.

Some very promising freshmen will see action.

Outstanding should be tackles Gerald Tanner, a 200-pounder and Ed Wilkerson, 195 pounds.

If its sophomores develope as Lindahl, who teaches the Split T expects, the club might finish a notch above fifth.

COLORADO COLLEGE—Colorado College at Colorado Springs, the league cellar dwellers in 1954, will improve as the season progresses. Coach Roy Robertson, who is commencing his second year, has a club which looks much sharper offensively than last year's team.

Losses from the 1954 squad include quarterback Walter Prebis, guard Fred Derango and end Walt Bennett, all outstanding.

Returning will be quarterback Norman Spears, a junior, and one of the best passers in the conference; tackle Art Elder, a senior; and guard Bill Riley, a junior. Sophomores who will help are Gary Cook, a halfback, and Don Soukup, a center. Soukup is a fine line-backer.

The Tigers are still in a rebuilding program and are not expected to improve their 1954 position.

ADAMS STATE COLLEGE—Adams State at Alamosa, currently a member of the New Mexico conference, deserves inclusion in the Rocky Mountain conference review as it becomes a full fledged member of the league in 1956. The club meets two Rocky Mountain foes this year—Colorado College and Western State. The games, however, do not count in the standings.

J. Michael (Mike) Stimack, an all-time Adams State great, will coach, assisted by another star Lawrence (Spud) Orr. Orr, as a player, won Little All-America first team rating. Ron Crawford is the school's athletic director and assists in the coaching. Other clubs in the "Little Six" will be watching with interest the play of three promising sophomores—quarterback Joe Harris, a fine passer; halfback Jay Jefferson and tackle Dick Acott. Boys who will be eligible next year, and should get seasoning this Fall, are backs Wayne Thompson and linemen Kay Faucette, Don Smith and Bob Weems.

WEST POINT OF THE AIR

UNITED STATES AIR ACADEMY—Football at its collegiate best will come to Colorado in 1957 when the Eagles of the new U.S. Air Academy move into their own 50,000 seat stadium at Cathedral Rock.

In the interval the Airmen will be building towards a winning team which, under present plans, will begin an annual round-robin series with their fellow military schools, Army and Navy, in 1961.

The Academy opened in temporary quarters at Lowry Field, Denver, on May 14. The first class of over 300 freshmen—classes will be enlarged to 600 men in 1956—reported on July 11. The enrollment was heavy with athletes—a natural in the face of the physical requirements necessary for admission.

A freshman football team from this first class will represent the Air Academy this Fall in an

eight-game schedule (see schedule section) with freshman squads from the Skyline and Big Seven conferences.

The team will be under the direction of Buck Shaw, former coach of the pro San Francisco 49ers. He will serve for 90 days with the title of "civilian athletic advisor." Actual head coach will be the Academy's athletic director, Col. Robert V. Whitlow, who won All-America honors as a tackle at Army in 1942. Assisting will be Major Frank Meritt, also an All-America, and Whitlow's opposite tackle on the '42 Army team. Others assisting in coaching this first squad are Lieut. Tom Brookshier (Colorado 1952), defensive backfield coach; Capt. Julius Battista (Florida), defensive line coach; Lieut. Jesse Bounds (Tulane), offensive line coach; Lieut. Marvin Jenkins (Alabama), end coach; and Lieut. Byron Gillory, head backfield coach, who earned All-America mention at Texas U.

The academy makes no bones about its intention of fielding a winning team. It is pointed out by the school heads that it is the business of the air force to win—"if you don't win, in our business, you don't come home." This team is being set up to "come home."

Its 1956 schedule will include Rocky Mountain, Little Six and some out-of-area small college varsities.

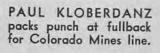
In 1957 after opening against Iowa, the Airmen hope to play a schedule including Skyline and Big Seven conferences rivals.

It is the academy's hope eventually to card Army and Navy and then build a 10-game schedule around two teams in the Rocky Mountain area, along with a representative of the East, Mid-West, Pacific Coast conference, Southwestern and Southeastern loops and an outstanding independent, such as Notre Dame.

In addition to football the academy will engage in 17 sports on a national scale.



TED CHILDERS, 185-lb. fullback, is one of vet Colorado St. pair at post.



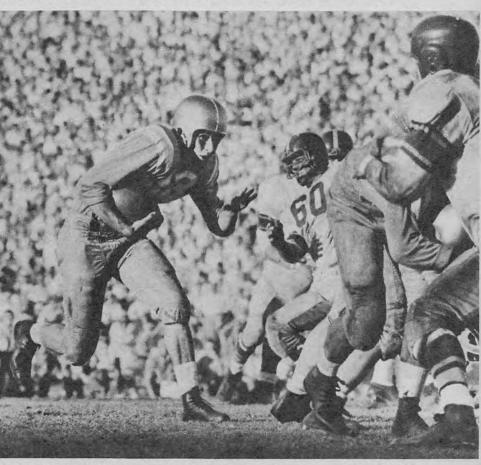




TROJAN defenders converge to break up Ohio State pass in Rose Bowl end zone. Jon Arnett (26), who scored 55 points in '54, is key Southern Cal. back. Fullback Duvall (40) also returns but Lindon Crow (36), is gone.

BOB DAVENPORT, All-America prospect at UCLA, blasts through USC line from fullback in 34-0 win.





JOHNNY HERMANN, UCLA wingback, makes move off right tackle as Bruins' single wing power rolled over USC 34-0 in final game of 1954 season. Hermann, a hard runner, is one of many talented Bruin backs.



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Pacific Coast

UCLA ON ROAD TO ROSE BOWL WITH USC MAIN RIVAL FOR COAST CROWN

PREDICTIONS

Pacific Coast

- 1. U. C. L. A.
- 2. So. California
- 3. Stanford
- 4. California
- 5. Washington
- 6. Washington State
- 7. Oregon State
- 8. Oregon
- 9. Idaho

Independents

- 1. College of Pacific
- 2. San Jose State
- 3. Santa Barbara
- 4. Pepperdine
- 5. College Puget Sound
- 6. Pacific Lutheran
- 7. Pacific University
- 8. Linfield
- 9. La Verne
- 10. Long Beach State

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- 1. Fresno State
- 2. California Poly
- 3. San Diego State
- 4. Los Angeles State

Far Western

- 1. San Francisco State
- 2. Chico State
- 3. Humboldt State
- 4. California Aggies
- 5. Sacramento State
- 6. Nevada

So. California

- 1. Redlands
- 2. Occidental
- 3. Pomona
- 4. Whittier
- 5. California Tech.

APPARENTLY undismayed by its failure to handle Big Ten opponents in the annual Rose Bowl game, Pacific Coast Conference football teams gird their loins this Fall for a rugged championship race they hope will bring out an eleven that can cope with their Mid-western antagonists on New Year's day.

Indications are that it will be pretty much a twoteam race between University of California at Los Angeles and Southern California. Since Coach Jess Hill's Trojans can't go to Pasadena under the no-repeat rule, it would appear that Coach Henry (Red) Sanders' UCLA Bruins have that dubious honor all but wrapped up.

Stanford, always a team full of enthusiasm, might upset the applecart and Washington State could play the dark horse role. A lot of good luck and some startling performances will be necessary for either to break the lock the two Southern California teams have held on the conference the last two years.

California, once the big, bad Bear of the West, is expected to be a docile animal again this Fall and in the Northwest, Oregon, Oregon State and Washington have no direction in which to go but up. Idaho, which plays only four conference games, long since has ceased trying to keep up with the big boys.

As a matter of fact, little College of the Pacific, the strongest of the West's independents, plays one more game with PCC teams than does Idaho.

PCC teams have scheduled 16 intersectional foes. Southern California leads the list with four—two Big Ten opponents plus Notre Dame and Texas, for the toughest schedule of any Western eleven.

UCLA, unbeaten and rated by many as the nation's No. 1 team a year ago, lost nine of its 1954 starting team, but coach Sanders again will field a rugged squad built around the 23 returning lettermen.

If Ronnie Knox, the much discussed transfer from California, can find his running legs to go with his sharp passing and great punting, the Bruins may develop into a passing combination this Fall.

Coach Hill's Trojans also are expected to do more throwing with Frank Hall, a junior, handling the passing. SC needs to improve its defense, however, and must find fullback running power if it is to master its opponents.

The West is not lacking in individual stars. UCLA has Bob Davenport, fullback, who gained All-America recognition a year ago; Rommie Loudd, 205-pound end; and Hardiman Cureton, a fine guard.

In addition to Hall, Southern California boasts such stars as Jon Arnett, fleet halfback; Leon Clarke at end, and Marvin Goux, center.

Davenport is not the only outstanding fullback running loose on the Pacific seaboard. Stanford is proud of Bill Tarr and San Jose State has a great one in Joe Ulm.

Several good quarterbacks with fine passing ability also are extant. Besides Hall, the list includes Sandy Lederman of Washington; and Bill Jacobs of College of the Pacific.

Knox, whose "tell-all" step-father, Harvey, projected the star into nationwide prominence with charges California didn't live up to help promises there and thus precipitated his transfer to UCLA, might be the best of the new players.

C. R. Roberts, a swift 200-pound sophomore full-back at SC; Alan Harrington, a former Honolulu



HOMMIE LOUDD, 6-21/2, is fine all-around performer on Bruins' flank.

backfield flash with Stanford; Jim Jones, a fine halfback for Washington; and Pete O'Garro, big UCLA end who was a star while in the army, also belong in the list of outstanding new talent.

Only one important coaching change took place in the West. Tommy Prothro, UCLA's backfield mentor last year, has taken over at Oregon State. He replaces Kip Taylor, who resigned.

PACIFIC COAST CONFERENCE

U. C. L. A.—The Bruins may not be as unbeatable as in 1954 but Coach Henry (Red) Sanders will field another of the top ranking teams of the nation this Fall.

Last year's squad swept aside all opponents with a terrific defense and a great running attack. The defense and ground game may be augmented with a red-hot passing offense but, as Sanders says, the schedule is tougher.

Three top intersectional foes—Maryland, Texas A. & M., and Iowa—plus the usual Pacific Coast conference parade will be trying to knock off the champions.

Graduation hit the Bruin line but the backfield may be much superior to that of 1954. To start with, there is Bob Davenport, 195pound fullback who gained some All-America recognition a year ago.

The Bruins have half a dozen left halfbacks to replace Primo Villaneuva and any one might prove to be better. Among these are Gerry McDougall, Edison Griffin, Doug Bradley and Sam Brown.

The list also includes the famed Ronnie Knox, who transferred from California last Fall amid the greatest parade of press clippings in many a year. Ronnie is a great passer, a fine kicker and good runner. If he makes the grade, look out! The Bruins will take to the air in a big way.

McDougall, Bradley, Griffin and Brown are fine runners in the Bruin Single Wing attack and fair passers. Their efforts will be augmented by two splendid right halfbacks. Jim Decker and John Hermann. Bob Bergdahl, a junior, is the No. 1 blocker, at quarterback.

UCLA lost nine first team men including the cream of the line, but Sanders will be able to field an experienced group of forwards who average out 208 pounds. He may lack the depth of last year,

especially in experience.

His ends are Rommie Loudd, 205, a senior, and Pete O'Garro, 210, just back from the armed forces. He played in 1951. Gil Moreno, 210, and Roger White, 205, are the tackles, both veterans. So are Hardiman Cureton, 210, and Jim Brown, 200, at guards.

The No. 1 center is Steve Palmer, 206, who saw a lot of action last year.

Coach Sanders lost 15 lettermen, including two All-America linemen, but he has 23 returning plus an array of experienced reserves. With a bit of luck the Bruins can go through undefeated again.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA — The Trojans may well have a better team than the one that went to the Rose Bowl and lost to Ohio State.

Coach Jess Hill will need it if his team is to cope with such intersectional foes as Notre Dame, Wisconsin, Minnesota and Texas and beat out UCLA for Coast championship honors.

This SC team, which includes 25 returning lettermen, could be better both offensively and defensively than that of 1954. Like the Bruins, it is apt to have a stepped up passing attack to go with great running.

The top passer is Frank Hall, quarterback, who showed great promise as a sophomore. Back in good condition after injuries last season is the speed merchant, Jon Arnett, at left half and if he holds up the Trojans could go all the way



JON ARNETT (left) hit target on 17 of 30 passes heaved for USC last Fall.

LEON CLARKE (rt), Trojan end, snared 12 aerials for 227 yards.

ORLANDO FERRANTE, USC guard, sparks line which averages 209 lbs.







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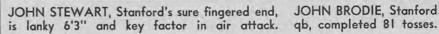
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JOHN BRODIE, Stanford

SC also has a top fullback, which it lacked a year ago. He is C. R. Roberts, a 210-pound sophomore, who runs the hundred in 10.1s. Ron Brown is the right halfback who must fill the shoes of graduating Lindon Crow, an outstanding defensive back.

The Trojan first team line will average 209 including two great pass catching ends in Leon Clarke, 213, and Chuck Griffith, 240. George Belotti, 213, and Dick Westphal, 201, are the tackles, with George Galli, 199, and Orlando Ferrante, 198; guards and Marv Goux, 185, center, filling the line with veterans.

When the Trojans seek to turn on running power they probably will put Walt Gorrell, 190-pound sophomore, at quarter, a superb blocker. There isn't as much backfield depth as a year ago and injuries, especially at left halfback, could cramp their style.

However, the line depth is there, and this promises to be a better team defensively than the 1954 aggregation.

STANFORD-With the experience it lacked a year ago Stanford could definitely be a strong factor in the Pacific Coast Conference race.

Coach Chuck Taylor will field a veteran first team and, with 20 returning lettermen, can back it up better than in 1954 when the Indians started out strong and then slumped.

Stanford's line will be lighter than that of either SC or UCLA, but this will be a mobile eleven with fast striking ability. It will be a team with a strong passing attack again, and can surprise its opponents with a good ground game as well.

The top thrower is John Brodie as quarterback, with Jerry Gustafson as the spare. Both have a year's experience. Much is expected of Bill Tarr, 186-pound fullback, who showed flashes of greatness a year



JIM CARMICHAEL, excellent glue-fingered California end.

HARRY GHILARDUCCI, 250 Cal. tackle, is heftiest on Coast.



JERRY DREW, 200-pound senior, heads parade of speedsters in Cal. backfield.





BILL TARR, Stanford fullback, gained 762 yards in 154 carries last year.

Coach Taylor probably will start with Gordy Young, a fleet veteran, at left halfback, but he has a great sophomore potential in Alan Harrington, who came out of Honolulu with a terrific reputation as a ball carrier. Top right halfback is Ernie Dorn. This is a light backfield, with speed to match.

John Stewart, 194, who proved his ability as a pass catching end, and Bob Gergen, 178, are the first string ends. John Stanton, 222, and Paul Wiggin, 213, give the Indians plenty of heft at tackle.

Donn Carswell, 199, and Tony Mosich, 208, will have to hustle to keep the first team guard assignments as there is talent to spare behind them. The same is true of Don Geddes, 197-pound center.

CALIFORNIA—The Golden Bears must come up with a replacement for Paul Larson, the nation's No. 1 passer and No. 2 offensive back of 1954, if they are to figure prominently in the race.

No such man has appeared on the Berkeley horizon and Coach Lynn (Pappy) Waldorf has his work cut out if California is to approach its power of other years. He also lost a great line-backer in Matt Hazeltine.

The 1955 Bears undoubtedly will go back to power for the basis of their attack and they have the heaviest line in the West to help make this work. California's first team forwards will average out 217 pounds.

Mike Casey, who has been around for two seasons, will be called upon to take Larson's place. The search is still on for Matt Hazeltine's successor but Don Mitchell, another senior, seems to have the



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know-how to move into the spot. California will have speed in its backfield. The running parade is headed by Jerry Drew, 200-pound fullback, and John Wilson, 172-pound left halfback. Steve Dimeff, 195, apparently has buttoned up the right half post.

In addition to Mitchell, 200 pounds of center, the line looks rugged enough. Jim Carmichael, 210, a fine pass catcher, and Ed Brandt, the lightest man at 185, are the top ends. Harry Ghilarducci, 250, and Bob Oliver, 230, represent the best tackle candidates and are the biggest in the conference.

Don Gilkey, 235, and Jose Oliva, 210, should be equally rugged at guard. Whether this line can move fast enough to accommodate the backs remains to be seen.

WASHINGTON—The Huskies hope to shake the injury jinx this Fall but they will need to do more than that if they are to figure in the PCC football race.

Coach Johnny Cherberg is counting heavily on the return of Sandy Lederman, star pass-pitching quarterback who suffered a broken leg last year, and Mike Monroe, left halfback, who was sidelined by injuries in the opening game in both of the last two years.

The Washington mentor also has a bolstering job in the middle of the line and hopes he has accomplished this by switching some spare tackles to that spot. Additionally, the team must improve at end.

Lederman, a sensational southpaw passer in his sophomore year, was left pretty much alone in this position when Bobby Cox transferred to Minnesota. Cox took charge in great fashion after Sandy was put out of action last year.

Confident of Lederman's throwing ability, Coach Cherberg worked hard on the running game in Spring practice. Monroe, a freshman sensation in 1952, weighs 204 pounds and is full of hurry.

With him in the backfield will be Bob Dunn, 168, at right half and Bob McNamee, 182, at full. Reserves at all but quarterback are good.

The Huskie line should average better than 210 pounds although the ends are light. Corky Lewis 185 and Jim Houston, 180. Pat Murphy, 210, and Frank Hahn, 235, appear to be the best of a big crop of tackles. Fred Robinson, 230, has been shifted to one guard, and Earl Monlux, 212, looks to be the best guard on the left side of the line. Del Jensen, 215, at center, fills out a veteran starting eleven.

Washington has 23 returning lettermen, a half dozen fine sophomores headed by swift Jim Jones at halfback, and three good junior college prospects.

WASHINGTON STATE—Only one member of the 1954 starting eleven is missing this Fall and the Cougars could come up with their best team in many a season.

Coach Al Kircher has 26 letter winners, the largest total of any team in the conference. His one important loss was Duke Washington, fullback.

The chief problem seems to be one of backfield improvement and if Bob Miller, 205-pound left halfback, can shake off the injury jinx this may be solved. He's a fine passer and kicker as well as a deft runner.

Dennis Rath, 190-pound right halfback has been shifted to full

SANDY LEDERMAN, southpaw tosser, calls signals for Washington U.

FRED ROBINSON, 230, shifts from tackle to guard slot for Huskies.





The Washington State line should be rugged and, for a change, the Cougars have depth. The first seven average 207 pounds. Coach Kircher's ends are Arnie Pelluer, 225; and Russ Quackenbush, 200.

Tom Gunnari, 220, and Capt. Jerry Brockey, 190, at tackles; Jim Welch, 195, and Vaughan Hitchcock, 200, guards; and Skip Pixley, 225, make up the rest of the starting line.

If there is any weakness in the front line it is a lack of experience in the reserve tackle spots. There seems to be plenty of depth elsewhere.

In the backfield Jim Hagerty, 185-pound senior, will alternate with Miller. Iverson has another senior, 190-pound Frank Sarno, as his assistant at quarterback. Junior Bill Kramer, 180, will help at fullback. Four promising freshmen are on hand to aid at right halfback.

The Cougars catch the tough opponents early. They open against Southern California, as usual. A close game here could give the team a lift that might carry it to the top in the Northwest.

OREGON STATE—A new coach, Tommy Prothro, former UCLA backfield mentor, has installed the Single Wing in the hope of bringing back a winning combination to the Beaver school.

It is going to take a while for the squad to assimilate the new method of attack, but the team hardly can go any where but for-

RAY WESTFALL gives Oregon St. speed and power at key tailback spot.

ward since it lost eight straight in 1954 under Coach Kip Taylor.

Coach Prothro has a host of veterans and replacements from a strong freshman aggregation. He has put Ray Westfall, a T quarterback, into the key left halfback spot. Westfall is a fine passer and the new mentor is confident he has the speed and power (190 pounds) to become a good runner as well.

Most important losses came in the backfield but experienced talent is on hand. Operating with Westfall in the ball-advancing department will be Ron Siegrist, 175pound blocking back; Dick Mason, 175, at right half, and Tom Berry, 185, fullback.

Norman Thiel, 190, and Leon Hittner, 192, are the top ends. John Witte, 240, and Howard Buettgerbach, 200, at tackles; John Sniffen, 205, and Ron Daniels, 195, guards; and Alex Groswird, 195, center, round out the first team line. All but Groswird, a junior college transfer, DeGrant, a sophomore, and Witte, a service returnee, who could be one of the best tackles on coast, were on hand a year ago.

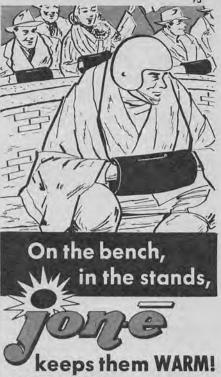
Oregon State was a slow moving team in 1954 and Coach Prothro's problem, in addition to the installation of a new offensive system, is to generate speed.

OREGON—Eight members of the 1954 starting team, including George Shaw, the nation's leading ground gainer and No. 1 National Football League draft choice, are gone, so Coach Len Casanova has his work cut out for him.

Although Shaw's understudy last year, Tom Crabtree, 193

LEON HITTNER, 6-foot Oregon State end, was 4th among Coast receivers.





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MARSHALL JONES, 210-lb. tackle, packs top weight on Idaho line.

pounds, is scheduled to hold down the key quarterback post, it would surprise none around Eugene if Dick James finally wound up there.

James, who weighs 174, was the team's top defensive back a year ago, is an excellent pass receiver and runner. He also can throw and is quick to learn. The Webfoots, who were a sharp passing team a year ago under Shaw's leadership, probably will stay on the ground more this Fall.

Two sophomores, Jim Stanley, 168, at right halfback and Jack Morris, 188, at full, fill out the backfield. Jack Brown, 174, another sophomore, will move up to left half when and if James takes over quarterback duties.

Oregon lost three fine linemen by graduation but still will have more experience in the forward wall than in the backfield. Bruce Brenn, 191, a junior college transfer, and Phil McHugh, 186, have the edge at ends.

Capt. Lon Stiner, 213, son of a former Oregon State head coach by the same name, and Harry Johnson, 223, give the Beavers good tackle strength. Reanous Cochrane, 198, and Spike Hillstrom, 197, are the first string guards and Art Weber, 196, has filled the spot vacated by Ron Pheister, last year's star center.

Coach Casanova has only a dozen

DICK JAMES, defensive ace, is set to switch to quarterback at Oregon.





WILBUR GARY, Idaho fullback, averaged 6.6 yards per try in last year.

lettermen back and the Beavers face rugged going.

IDAHO—There's a little more heft and a deeper bench this Fall but Coach Skip Stahley's Vandals still find themselves outclassed in Pacific Coast conference competition.

The Idaho line, which will average only 197 pounds, is by far the lightest in the league and will have difficulty coping with the four northwest members of the conference it must face. The Vandals play no California teams.

Star of the backfield is expected to be Wilbur Gray, 165-pound full-back, the team's top ground gainer last year with an average of 6.6 yards per carry.

In the first team backfield with Gray will be a veteran cast composed of Gary Cozian, 173, quarterback; and Mel Schmidt, 195, and Ron Braden, 170, at left and right halfback.

The starting line also is veteran. It is composed of Pete Gerpheide, 190, and Ed Hilder, 208, ends; Dick Foster, 210, and Marsh Jones, 210, tackles; Chuck Fries, 194, and Eivind Resa, 190, guards and Jim Faulkner, 182, center.

Four junior college transfers and a handful of sophomores will compensate in a degree for the loss of nine of Idaho's 11 starters. Six of these came out of the line and the

PHIL McHUGH gets Oregon coach's nod as one of finest ends he has had.



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Vandals face a serious problem in filling the gaps up forward.

Coach Stahly has only a dozen lettermen.

INDEPENDENTS

COLLEGE OF PACIFIC — The Tigers will stake hopes for success against a rugged array of opponents on the fine passing of star quarterback, Bill Jacobs.

Coach Jack Meyers' charges take on five PCC opponents and Purdue of the Big Ten along with Cincinnati and Texas Tech.

The top independent team in the West, COP has nine lettermen in its starting lineup and expects to be stronger than a year ago.

In addition to Jacobs, 160-pounder, at quarterback, Coach Meyers has Don Cornell, 168, left halfback; Ken Swearingen, 166, right halfback, and Ernie Lindo, 191, at full. All were on hand a year ago.

Roger Linn, 190, and George Lane, 210, ends; Gene Cronin, 208, and John Nisby, 213, tackles; Neven Hulsey, 204, and Galen Laack, 200, guards; and Jack O'Rourke, 200, center, compose the first string line which averages 203 pounds.

Along with 19 lettermen, COP has two junior college transfers, a returnee from the armed forces and a handful of sophomores on hand. Only a half dozen were lost from the 1954 team by graduation.

The Tigers hope to supplement their passing attack with some strong running by Lindo at full and left halfback Cornell. Much is expected of two new backs, Ferrell Funston, 200-pound junior college transfer, and Del Whittier, a sophomore.

SAN JOSE STATE—With 20 letter winners returning, San Jose hopes for a stronger team this Fall, built around Joe Ulm, 190-pound fullback, and Tony Teresa, 178-pound Split-T quarterback.

Ulm was a sensation as a sophomore in the first four games before he was declared ineligible. Last year he suffered a collar bone fracture.

Coach Bob Bronzan believes Ulm will be one of the top backs in the nation this Fall, barring further injuries.

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The Spartans boast a fast backfield and a rugged line that will average 210 pounds. Working with Ulm and Teresa in the backfield will be left half Bill Rahming, 175, and right half Stan Beasley, both of whom were on hand a year ago.

The ponderous line is composed of Bob Arends, 190, and Clarence Wessman, 235, ends; Jack Adams, 224, and Bob Light, 205, tackles; Jim Nakagawa, 220, and Jim Hughes, 210, guards; and Jerry Ruse, 200, center. They likewise are veterans.

Coach Bronzan has seven junior college transfers plus a handful of former freshmen to backstop his experienced starting lineup. The team's strength is more evenly distributed this year. Despite the bulk in the line, the Spartan mentor expects it to be faster than the 1954 eleven.

ERNIE LINDO, COP fullback, set one game school rushing mark of 191 yds.



SANTA BARBARA-With 18 letter men returning, Coach Stan Williamson expects to field a stronger team than in 1954. Williamson is switching from the Single Wing to the T to accommodate the fast personnel on hand.

John Couts, an excellent passer, will be his quarterback. Coach Williamson has two speed merchants in Bruce Varner at full and Sut Pauiloa, right halfback. His left halfback will be Roy Goebel.

The Santa Barbara line will be composed of Bud Ashbrook and Cliff Hooper, ends; Will Stensland and Russ Young, tackles; Bill Ryan and Jim Pullman, guards; and Don Smith, center.

CALIFORNIA COLLEGIATE

FRESNO STATE—With a host of material, Fresno appears headed toward another California Collegiate championship. Coach Clark Van Galder frankly states this is the best squad he ever has had.

Much is expected again of Dean

BILL JACOBS directs COP attack against foes on a tough schedule.





JOE ULM is counted on to regain sensational scoring form of soph year.

Philpott, 200-pound fullback, who tore up opposing lines a year ago. With him in the backfield will be Fred Bistrick, quarter; and Bob Garner and Duck Snider, half-backs.

The line is hefty with Bill Murphy and Rod Galloway, ends; Paul Nielson and Alan Korchhof, tackles; Bill Harvey and Julius Dominici, guards; and Pete Nicely, center.

CALIFORNIA POLY—Coach Roy Hughes comes up with a strong backfield built around Perry Jeter, who scored 78 points in 1954, but is confronted with a line problem brought about by graduation of several stars.

With Jeter in the Mustang backfield will be Dan Delgado, left half; Marijon Ancich, 190, fullback, and Don Tucker, quarter.

The California Poly first line shapes up with Bud Chadwick and James Cox, ends; Pete Davies and John Rehder, tackles; John Oakes and Mel Hardy, guards; and Duane Wickstrom.

SAN DIEGO STATE—A replacement for his 1954 star, Norm Nygaard, is Coach Bill Schutte's main problem but he believes the team will be as strong as the one last year.

The man asked to fill Nygaard's shoes will be Julius Gutowski at full, a rugged line-backer and fine ball carrier. With him will be Marshall Malcolm and Claude Lewis, halfbacks and Bill Richardson, quarter.

San Diego State's first line will consist of John Early and Bernie



CLARENCE WESSMAN, 235-pound end, is versatile San Jose performer.



JIM HUGHES, 210-pound guard, showed great promise as sophomore.

Flaherty, ends; Lance Morton and Jim Whelan, tackles; Robert Newton and Leonard Smorin, guards; and Clark Staples, center.

LOS ANGELES STATE— C o a c h Bud Adams expects to field an improved team, especially in the defensive department, and again will pin most of his offensive hopes on a strong passing attack based on the throwing of Ed Sherrill.

Adams has a 9.7 seconds half-back in Virgil Stanley for speed. Tom Morgan will team with Stanley at halfback and Charles Ucker is the probable fullback.

The line will be composed of Bill Hicks and John Mudnich, ends; Norm Grambusch and Jack Roberts, tackles; Roger Smith and Gerald Harer, guards; and Harry Pohl, center.

SO. CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE

REDLANDS—With most of its 1954 team returning, Redlands hopes to move to the top of the heap in the Southern California conference.

Coach Jim Verdieck will build his Double Wing, spread formation attack around fullback Scott Fowler, an outstanding ball carrier. With him will be two sophomores, Bentley Wallis and Howard Tipton, halfbacks; and Ed Mohr, a senior, at quarter.

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LARRY CONOVER pivots San Francisco line in title defense this Fall.

quick line, composed of Bill Dennis and Joe Houser, ends; John Gruendyke and Ken Lewis, tackles: John Odenbaugh and Paul Womack, guards; and Howie Newman, center. All but Lewis are veterans.

OCCIDENTAL -A strong array of sophomores plus eleven returning lettermen will aid Occidental in its quest for top honors in the Southern California conference.

Coach Roy Dennis has nine men, who won laurels last year, on his starting eleven. His line will be light but fast charging with only one man over 200 pounds on the first team.

Jack Kemp, quarterback; Don Lyon, fullback; Don Tompkins, left half and Chauncey Pa, right half, make up an experienced backfield. Jim Mora and Gary Hess, ends; Phil Alfano and Ron Botchan, tackles; Manuel Murrieta and Nick Rodionoff, guards; and Rod Kisich, center, make up the Tiger line.

POMONA-Eight of the first string players who took the Sagehens to the conference championship last year are gone but Coach Fuzz Merritt hopes sophomore prospects will give the team enough help to keep in the race.

Only five lettermen will be on the starting eleven, three in the line and two in the backfield. The backfield quartet will consist of Dick Woods, and Rich Hungate, the veterans, at the halfback posts; and Sam Neff, quarterback and Gordon Stolzoff, fullback.

Bill Schultz and Walt Dougher, ends: Ernie Smith and Ken Wedel, tackles: Ed Carrigan and Bernie Marshall, guards; and John Devereux, center, make up the first line. Schultz, Wedel and Dougher are lettermen.

WHITTIER-Offsetting the loss of 17 lettermen there is a fine group of sophomores on hand this Fall. At best, however, Coach George Allen will have to work with a green team.

From tackle to tackle he has veterans on the line, but his ends are new and light. The line shapes up with Ed Wynkoop and Don Schaeffer, ends; Richard Smith and Robert Blechen, tackles; Marv Hoover and Chuck Stone, guards; and Jim Carlisle, center.

The Poet backfield includes two veterans, Nick Street at full and Carl Palmer at left half, a strong runner and good passer. Bill Dube at quarter and John Schaer at right half are newcomers.

CALTECH-With 17 lettermen returning, Tech should be slightly improved over 1954 but still will not be good enough to cope with the rest of the Southern California conference.

Coach Bert LaBrucherie has a fine passer in his quarterback, Phil Conley, and will depend much on the work of this star. Supporting Conley will be Don Stocking and Ted Lang, halfbacks, and either Ed Krehbiel or Ed Gehle at full.

Gehle, returning from the Army, also is being considered for a tackle post because of his 225 pounds. The Engineer line consists of Luke Bogdanovic and Larry Whitlow,

DUANE DAMRON, captain in '54, returns at end for California Aggies.



ends; Del McCune and Gehle or John Meyers, tackles; Kyle Bayes and Jim Snyder, guards, and Bob Mitchell, center.

FAR WESTERN CONFERENCE

SAN FRANCISCO STATE — A one-two offensive punch, consisting of Dick Ellis at quarterback and Bob Rodrigo, full, is San Francisco's main weapon as it seeks to retain the Far Western Conference title.

Coach Joe Verducci also has two light but swift halfbacks, Walter Bremond and John Sochor, to team with this pair of stars.

The San Francisco starting line is composed of Bob Barron and Tony Fardella, ends; Floyd Peters and Dick McKenzie, tackles; Jack LaChapelle and Roy Nonella, guards; and Larry Conover, center.

CHICO STATE—Coach Gus Manolis hopes to combine the passing of Don Ray and the sharp running of Ernie Matlock with a sturdy defense and gain the Far Western Conference crown.

Manolis will put two speedsters at the halfback spots—Mike Adams and Bob Gloyd—to complete his backfield.

The Chico line consists of Mose Mastelotto and Dave Gobbato, ends; Gene Van der Leun and Pete Sieber, tackles; Willie Misquez and Fred George, guards; and Bill Bishop, center.

HUMBOLDT STATE—Humboldt is considered the dark horse in the conference race with 15 lettermen left over from the team that finished third a year ago.

Coach Phil Sarboe's outstanding ball carrier is his left halfback, a 150-pound jack rabbit named Jug Davis. With Davis in the backfield will be Henry Cooper at quarter; Russ Ashburn, right half, and Ralph Mayo, fullback.

The first string line shapes up as follows: Phil Huff and Happy Taft, ends; Jerry Bartlett and Bob Stevenson, tackles; Bob Hanson and Jim Joseph, guards; and Jim Evans, center.

CALIFORNIA AGGIES — Seventeen lettermen are back in the fold bolstered by several junior college transfers and the Aggies are count-

ing on them for more team strength than a year ago.

Coach Joe Forbes' top offensive threat is Mel Voos, 170-pound right halfback. With Voos will be Ted Johnson and John Lewis, full and left halfback, and Craig Jones, quarterback.

On the line will be Larry Sevison and Duane Damron, ends John Kidd and Tom Parker, tackles; Francis Lastufka and Richard Heringer, guards; and Bob Warren, center.

SACRAMENTO STATE — Coach David Strong will call upon the triple-threat ability of Charles Haskell, left halfback, to carry the offensive burden this Fall. He also has a good punter and passer in quarterback Cleo Lewis. John Helms, right halfback, and Bud Miller, fullback, complete the first team backfield.

Best of the linemen are Larry Voss and Fred Moeller, ends; Orval Dellfous and Bill Hickey, tackles; Bill Warner and Dave Hotell, guards; and Dave Roberts, center.

OTHER INDEPENDENTS

PEPPERDINE—Indications are for a better season than last year with a fast team built around the passing of Warren VanderSchuit and the capable running of Frank Williams and Al Feola, halfbacks. VanderSchuit, a Golden Gloves boxing champion, suffered a broken leg in mid-season of 1954.

With this trio in the backfield will be Pat Bandy at fullback.

The first team forwards are Wixie Robinson and Fred Hoover, ends; Don Moran and Matt Phillips, tackles; Tom Nowlin and Stacie Green, guards; and Ron Cameron, center.

COLLEGE OF PUGET SOUND -

Coach John Heinrick considers that experience may make this eleven a shade better than they were in the 1954 campaign.

He has two outstanding linemen in Bob Mitchell, 220-pound guard, and Dick Hansen, 210-pound tackle. His other starting forwards probably will be Babe Buholm and Phil Yant, ends; Bob Bafus, tackle; Wally Thompson, guard; and Rich Hammermaster, center.



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The veteran backfield will be composed of Don Parsons, quarterback; Marv Manley and Wes Pruitt, halfbacks; and Rich Dodds, fullhack

PACIFIC LUTHERAN - Coach Mary Harshman has 19 lettermen back this Fall including the 1954 first string line. He considers his sophomore quarterback, Tommy Gilmer to be an exceptional passer, punter and runner. With Gilmer in the backfield are Gary Sambila and Galen Nusbaum, halfbacks, and John Fromm, fullback.

The veteran line is composed of Phil Nordquist and Roy Elliot, ends; Bill Waddell and Lynn Calkins, tackles; Gerry Kluth and Walt Fitzpatrick, guards; and Capt. Gary Gale, center.

PACIFIC U-A fast backfield and a sturdy defense may put this team on the victorious side in the Pacific Northwest Conference.

Coach Paul Stagg has two swift halfbacks in Larry Gehrts and Robert Gatyas. Dan French, quarterback; and Ben Davis, fullback, are the other top backfield members of a team that includes 14 letter winners.

Joseph Gutowski and Gary Connor, ends; Ron Puzey and William Tiedgen, tackles; Joseph Kaawaii and Leon Peldyak, guards; and Jerry Adams, center, make up the first team line.

BILL RICHARDSON directs attack for San Diego State's 1955 title bid.





PHIL CONLEY sparks Caltech attack with accurate aerial skill.

LINFIELD - Coach Paul Durham has 17 lettermen returning and fondly hopes they will be able to improve on the record of last season when the school won only one game.

Bill Gaarin and Marv Scherpf, ends; Russ Morris and Dick Holliday, tackles; Vic Fox and Howard Morris, guards; and Laurel Schroeder, center, compose the first string line.

In the backfield Coach Durham counts most on Ron Parrish, quarterback; Bob Flood and Jerry Le-Blanc, halfbacks; and Allie Clark, fullback.

LA VERNE - Coach Roland Ortmayer switches to the Winged T this Fall in a bid to improve on the record of two wins in eight starts last year. Five sophomores join six veterans in the starting lineup.

In the backfield will be Warren Kirkpatrick, full; Jim Milhon and Bob Radford, halfbacks, and Gene Moore, quarter. The line consists of Ben Hines and Wayne Buck, ends; Dick Hart and Noel Gilbert, tackles; Herman Belcher and brother Thurman, guards; and Dave Hurlbut, center.

LONG BEACH STATE — Its first entry into football this Fall finds both the composition of the Long Beach team and the quality unknown.

Coach Mike DeLotto hopes to use the T formation with variations. This depends much on the type of material that answers his call this Fall. A seven-game schedule has been arranged.



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National Pro League

BEARS AND 49ers IN TIGHT FIT; GIANTS TO RETIRE AGED BROWNS

PREDICTION

Western Division

- 1. Chicago Bears
- 2. San Francisco 49ers
- 3. Detroit Lions
- 4. Los Angeles Rams
- 5. Baltimore Colts
- 6. Green Bay Packers

Eastern Division

- 1. New York Giants
- 2. Cleveland Browns
- 3. Philadelphia Eagles
- 4. Wash. Redskins
- 5. Pittsburgh Steelers
- 6. Chicago Cardinals

SEPARATING the Chicago Bears and the San Francisco 49ers appears to be the only real hazard confronting National Football League crystal-gazers.

It is also the studied opinion of most sharp observers that either the Bears or 49ers will lower the boom on the Eastern Division title-winner in the annual post-Christmas playoff for the league championship.

Splitting out the pair simmers down to a matter of overall strength—depth. The Bears are definitely deeper, both offensively and defensively. Also, the Bears will have an invisible, but potent psychological inspirational wallop that it would be impossible to infuse in the 49ers. George Stanley Halas, venerable founder, president and head coach, will retire as field commander at the end of this season.

Halas, off his record, both financially and artistically, the shrewdest operator in the pro game, has torn his squad apart and put it back together again during the past four seasons. Last year, solid re-construction began to pay dividends. The Bears moved past both San Francisco and Los Angeles to finish second in the Western Division.

San Francisco is "the team to beat" and the Bears are the team to beat 'em, we think. The Bears are tabbed as the 1955 Western Division and NFL champions. They possess all of the ingredients that go into the formula of a championship team, youth, speed, experience, savvy and the most important item in pro ball:—depth.

Thus, pro football's power teams, the Cleveland Browns and the Detroit Lions, figure to reach the end of the championship road this season.

Coach Paul Brown's Cleveland team is burdened with 12 top players, who are 30 years old, or better. It will be a wonder, indeed, if these old guys don't run out of gas all together this season. The retirement of the incomparable Otto Graham,

certainly one of the game's all-time quarterback greats, also will be an irreparable loss.

Brown foresaw Graham's eventual retirement last year and succeeded in waggling the gullible Green Bay Packers out of Vito (Babe) Parilli in a trade. The former Kentucky All-America and a two-year pro qb veteran, had just reached his peak. The Cleveland coach knew Parilli was in the army when he swapped the Browns' bonus pick, Bobby Garrett, Stanford's All-America qb in 1953, for the Babe.

Unfortunately, Parilli is still in the Army and does not figure to be released in time to step into Graham's seven-league boots this year.

The New York Giants and the Philadelphia Eagles figure to flourish in the Eastern Division this season not because they have picked up added momentum, but because old age has caused Cleveland to come back to them.

There isn't too much to choose between the Giants and Eagles. The Giants have bolstered one of their most harrassing weaknesses last year, the lack of power running backs. Joe Heap of Notre Dame, their No. 1 draft choice, Mel Triplett of Toledo U., their third draft selection, and Alex Webster enticed back from Canada, are expected to put some go in the Giant ground assault.

Jim Lee Howell, former Giant end star, is starting his second season as head coach. He and his offensively imaginative backfield coaching aide, Vince Lombardi, learned some valuable lessons in their first NFL tour of duty.

Also, these gents not only know what to do with their added running power and speed, but also how to co-ordinate it with the efficient medium passing game they already possess.

Therefore, we think it is logical to put the finger on the Giants as the team most likely to succeed. On cold dope, Philadelphia, the runner-up to Cleveland in the division for the past three seasons, rates to finish second again, but we don't think the Eagles will run to form.

The Philadelphians, coached by big Jim Trimble, are pass crazy because of necessity. They do not have adequate running power and their throwers, Bobby Thomason and Adrian Burk, are not likely to get any better.

We think Cleveland will manage to finish second in the division somehow, someway, despite the fact that the team "is over the hill," with the Eagles likely to be very close to the pace of both the Giants and the Browns.

There isn't much back of these three teams in the Eastern circuit. Washington, with Ralph Guglielmi, Notre Dame's All-American qb and a potentially pro great, playing his freshman season, will be improved, but not enough to horn into the division's top bracket.

It looks like Pittsburgh will have to go with Jimmy Finks as qb again. We have no confidence that the Steelers will be title contenders, until they come up with a top-flight qb to alternate with Finks, or replace him entirely.

The Chicago Cardinals are not likely to be any better than they were last season, which was terrible. Lack of imagination and competent, aggressive leadership, particularly in the front office, will keep the Cardinals in the dark regions of the division basement.

The replacement of Joe Stydahar as head coach by one of his assistants, Ray Richards, doesn't figure to help much.

The star-studded San Francisco 49ers, on paper, appear to have "the guns" to shoot down all opposition and go all the way to the league title, as they did last season.

They failed to make it last year and their coach, veteran and able Buck Shaw, was fired.

Norman (Red) Strader, one of Shaw's coaching aides and former head coach of the old New York Yanks, has succeeded Shaw.

The 49ers have a pronounced soft spot. They do not have a Grade A replacement for Yelton A. Tittle, their talented, but brittle qb. Injuries to Tittle have throttled the 49ers at critical stages for the past two seasons.

There will be days when the 49ers will be capable of bowling over any team in the league, including the Bears. But, over the long haul lack of depth at the key qb spot will be fatal. Also, weakness in pass defense and lack of line-backer depth is likely to offset the 49ers' devastating running assault.

Detroit, still stunned by its inglorious 56 to 10 title defense loss to Cleveland, appears a bit shaky.

The Lions may have retained enough of their wallop to finish

third in the division, however, particularly if they can talk the great Doak Walker out of his planned retirement.

The Los Angeles Rams also have come up with a new coach. He is Sid Gillman, former Cincinnati U., head coach, who has succeeded Hampton Pool.

Weeb Ewbank developed a fine defensive unit in his first season as head coach of the Colts, but the team's striking power was totally inadequate. The same situation is present as the team comes up to scratch for the 1955 season.

Green Bay, then, is likely to finish last in its division, despite the fact that in Tobin Rote the Packers own the game's finest qb.

Lisle Blackbourn discovered that a team which lacks depth, cannot qualify as a title contender in the pro league last season—his first as the Packer's head coach.

Green Bay was hit harder than any other league team by service calls and retirements of key players, thus, the Packers are almost certain to get worse before they get any better.

Only two important off-season trades were consummated. The Redskins obtained LaVern Torgeson, Detroit's defensive captain, in exchange for Jim Ricca, middleguard and a four-season pro, and Walt Yowarsky, veteran defensive end. In the other deal, Washington swapped Dick Modzelewski, three year pro tackle to Pittsburgh for Leo Elter, potentially a fine full-back.

The pro rookie of the year? Rick Casares, former Florida halfback flyer, fits that description. Casares, big, quick, tough and mean, was grabbed on the second round of the 1954 draft by the Bears.

WESTERN DIVISION

CHICAGO BEARS—The Bears are ready to roll this year. George Halas appears to have assembled the finest all-around squad he has directed since he practically called his shots with the power-stacked 1941 Bear title team.

The Bears had the most efficient aerial attack in the league last year, despite the fact that they possessed only mediocre running striking power to co-ordinate with it. This year, Halas has real running punch to balance his assault.

Zake Bratkowski of Georgia, talented passing qb star; Stan Wallace of Illinois, brilliant defensive safety; and McNeil Moore of Sam Houston, defensive halfback specialist, all pro freshmen last year, have departed for service duty. So has Jim Dooley of Miami, Fla., U., three-season standout end.

Ed Brown of the U. of San Francisco and a marine veteran, is ready to step in at qb to direct the Bears' intricate T formation attack. He was nursed along carefully by the Old Coach as a freshman. Also, he has been skillfully schooled by Sid Luckman, the former Bear qb magician.

Brown is the best long ball passer now active and his short heaves are precise and just as deadly. He is big and rugged and can run when the enemy least expects it.

George Blanda, able six-year qb veteran, has recovered from a shoulder-separation injury and is ready to spell the brilliant Brown. Bob Williams, Notre Dame's All-America qb in 1950 and a two-year pro veteran, has returned from a Navy hitch.

The team's running punch necessarily must come from new men. Rick Casares, brilliant runner, blocker and kicker, could be "the rookie of the year."

Joe Fortunato of Mississippi State and Andy Kozar of Tennessee, both spectacular college fullbacks, are two more power running rookie backs, who have returned from service. The Bears already have Harry Jagade. Fortunato plays offense and defense with equal skill and he may develop into the league's finest line-backer.

Ron Drzewiecki, Marquette, and Bobby Watkins, Ohio State, are the Bears' rookie breakaway scat backs. They offset the loss of Billy Stone, who retired to become Bradley's coach.

Herman Clark, 260-pound middle guard star, and Gene Schroeder, pass catching end, both veterans, rejoined the team late last season, after completing service duty.

Harlon (Hungry) Hill, prize sleeper, glue-fingered end from tiny Florence, Ala., Teachers and "the 1954 rookie of the year," will team with Schroeder as the team's offensive ends. Jack Hoffman, 6-4, 235-pound defensive end in 1952, has returned from service, too.

Up front, the Bears are stacked with giant experienced and mobile workmen. Wayne Hansen, Bill Bishop, Gerald Weatherley, Stan Jones, Kline Gilbert, John Kreamcheck, Fred Williams, Bill George and Ted Daffer are the guys, who assure the Bears one of the league's biggest and best front lines.

SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS—Owner Tony Morabito's "win, or else policy" has moved Norman (Red) Strader in and nine-season veteran Lawrence (Buck) Shaw out as 49er head coach.

On paper, the 49ers appear to be loaded, just as they were last year. They own the best running backfield in the league. Hugh McElhenny, John Henry Johnson, halfbacks, and Joe (The Jet) Perry, fullback.

McElhenny, NFL rookie of the year in 1952, has recovered from a shoulder-separation. Johnson, an escapee from Canada, was a tremendous power-running rookie.

Perry has been the NFL leading rusher for the past two seasons. He is the first back in league history to rack up 1,000, or more yards, two seasons in a row. He rolled up 1,049 last year and picked off 1,018 in 1954 and now has 4,116 in only five seasons.

McElhenny, Johnson and Perry are adroit pass receivers, too. They will team with Yelton (Y.A.) Tittle, one of the league's most talented, but very brittle, passing qbs, in the 49ers offensive backfield, a "fearsome foursome," if there ever was one.

In Gordon Soltau and Billy Wilson, the 49ers also have one of the circuit's finest pass catching end teams. There is no question that Strader possesses devastating striking power.

However, the 49ers have some soft spots and, they do not have a competent stand-in for Tittle.

Unless the 49ers come up with another front-line qb in a trade, the best they can hope for is a second-place finish. In Dick Moegle, Rice's great little All-America halfback and their No. 1 draft choice, they have bartering bait.

Bobby Luna, Alabama, Carroll Hardy, Colorado, halfbacks; Johnny Dean, Virginia Poly qb; Frank Morze, Boston College center; and Eldred Kraemer, Pittsburgh tackle, also are highly regarded 1955 draftees. Johnny Kerr, Purdue end, is rated their best draft "sleeper."

Also, six gents, who were drafted as futures in previous years, while they still owned college eligibility, have reported.

Frank Mincevich, South Carolina guard; Hal Easterwood, Mississippi State center line-backer; Sid Youngelmann, Alabama tackle; Charley Boxhold, Maryland qb; Paul Carr, Houston fullback; and Bill Earley, Washington halfback.

Tom Stoldhandske, Texas' All-America end, has come out of service and joined the squad as a rookie. Tom was the 49ers' No. 1 draft choice in 1953, but took a whirl at Canadian ball for a season. Only one veteran, defensive back Bobby White, has returned from service.

Some of these gains have been offset, however, by the losses to service of Jackson Brumfield and Floyd Sagely, ends. Pete Brown, veteran center, and Ted Connolly, guard.

DETROIT LIONS—Buddy Parker goes into his fifth season as head coach of the Lions confronted by perplexing problems. The Lions, will still pack a wallop, however, as long as Bobby Layne, their T qb star, remains sound of limb.

Les Bingaman, 335-pound middle guard and a defensive pillar, has retired. So have Thurman Mc-Graw, Bob Dove, Jim Martin and Cloyce Box. McGraw, a great tackle, has returned to his alma mater, Colorado A & M, as assistant coach, Dove, ex-Notre Damer and veteran defensive end, is an assistant coach at the U. of Detroit and Box, brilliant passcatching end, is now a Dallas building contractor. Martin, a five season end, tackle and guard trouble-shooter, is coaching in Toronto.

Three Lions have entered the service. Bill Bowman, fullback, and Gil Perry, tackle, both spectacular 1954 rookies, and Dick Kercher, halfback, who was carried as a rookie last season are the trio.

Tom Dublinski, Layne's qb un-

derstudy, and Gil Mains, standout 1954 rookie tackle, have "jumped" to Canadian Toronto Argonauts.

The veteran Harry Gilmer, was acquired from the Washington Redskins, as Layne's understudy.

The great Doak Walker is not likely to play, either. The Doaker, one of the finest clutch running and pass-catching halfbacks the game has ever produced and a five-year pro veteran, is well heeled.

Halfback Dave Middleton, Auburn; tackle Jim Salisbury, UCLA; tackle Darris McCord, Tennessee; fullback Lee Riley, U. of Detroit; guard Bud Brooks, Arkansas; halfback and captain Gordon Malloy, Miami, Fla., U.; halfback Bert Zagers, Michigan State; and Duncan McDonald, Michigan T qb, are considered the best of the Lion draftees.

Stan Campbell, 220-pound ex-Iowa guard, has returned from service and will be useful.

Parker thinks he has plugged the gaping middle guard hole, vacated by Bingaman, with Paul Ricca, obtained from Washington in exchange for Torgeson, but Paul is scarcely a Bingaman, or a Torgeson, either.

Two veteran Detroit halfbacks, Bob (Hunchy) Hoernschemeyer and Earl (Jug) Girard, nine and seven year pros, respectively, are showing signs of wear.

LOS ANGELES RAMS—Sid Gillman of the U. of Cincinnati, has stepped in as head coach of the Rams, succeeding controversial Hampton Pool.

Gillman, a pupil of Earl Blaik, is a realist and a successful college coach. He has inherited fine personnel, a good squad, but it has been pampered by the Rams' owner, Danny Reeves, and has justly earned a cry-baby reputation.

The Rams, because of previous draft future trades, picked off five players in the first two rounds of the draft this year. They took Larry Morris. Georgie Tech center, and Cecil (Corky) Taylor, Kansas State halfback, as their own No. 1 and No. 2 picks.

They also acquired Sid Fournet, LSU tackle, selected by New York; Bob Long, UCLA end, picked by Pittsburgh; and Ron Walker, Maryland halfback, chosen by Washington, all second round choices, as tribute for earlier distress deals made with the Giants, Steelers and Redskins.

Elroy Hirsch, one of football's most spectacular pass catching ends, and Bob Carey, standout offensive end for two seasons, have retired. Hirsch has established himself as a movie actor and Carey has entered the coaching field. Duane Wardlow, who made the grade as defensive end as a 1954 rookie, has entered the service.

Jack Ellena, UCLA; Ed Fouch, USC; and Chuck Weeks, USC, tackles; and Frank Clayton, USC, and Billy Teas, Georgia Tech, halfbacks, and Jesse Arnelle, Penn State end, are five other top-rated rookies. Ellena was drafted in 1953 and Weeks in 1954 as futures, while they still owned college eligibility.

Norm Van Brocklin, six-year veteran, and Billy Wade of Vanderbilt, who reported to the Rams as a rookie last year, after a service hitch, are two of the best passing qbs in the league. Van Brocklin topped NFL passers again last year by completing 139 for 2,167 yards and 13 TDs. Gillman is likely to discover, however, that they are not the smartest qbs in the league. Also, Van Brocklin is a total loss as a runner.

The Rams still own two great pass receiving ends, veteran Tom Fears and Bob Boyd. In "Deacon Dan" Towler and Tank Younger, and Volney Quinlan, they have proved up backs, who can move the ball on the ground. But, their 6-5-1 record last year is proof that their pass defense was full of holes. Gillman's job? Correct it.

baltimore colts—Weeb Ewbank comes up his second season as head coach of the Colts, with a solid defensive team, but with an offensive setup that is a huge question mark. If Ewbank can find the answers to the question mark, the Colts could be rated as a "darkhorse threat."

The Colts are one of the league's "have-nots," as far as the key qbs are concerned. Gary Kerkorian is the team's No. 1 qb. They won the draft bonus pick and took George Shaw, Oregon's phenomenal passing ab

The severest blow to the Colts was the departure for service duty of qb Francis (Cotton) Davidson, their No. 1 draft choice last year.

End Lloyd Colteryahn and defensive back Bob Leberman also entered the service and John Huzar, fullback, has retired. End Dan Edwards, an eight-season veteran, has jumped to Canada. Also, the Colts No. 6 draft choice, halfback Leo Lewis, Lincoln U., Missouri; their No. 8, guard Dale Meinert, Oklahoma A & M; and their No. 13, halfback Pat Abbruzzi of Rhode Island, will perform in Canada.

Alan (The Horse) Ameche, everybody's All-America fullback, from Wisconsin, and Dick Szymanski, four-season Notre Dame center star, are the best Colt rookies.

Monte Brethauer, Oregon end, drafted in 1953, has returned from service. Frank McDonald, Miami, Fla., end; L. G. Dupre, Baylor halfback; and Johnny Cole, Arkansas halfback, signed as a free agent, also are highly regarded rookies.

Defensively, the Colts will be rugged. The line, Don Joyce, Gino Marchetti, Art Donovan, Tom Finnin and Joe Campanella, is one of the biggest and best in the circuit. It stopped Joe Perry of the 49ers in the final game of the season when Joe was shooting for an all-time single season rushing record. Joyce and Marchetti, both reformed tackles, are the best pass rushing team in pro ball.

The Colts' line-backing and pass defense is far under par for a winning NFL team.

GREEN BAY PACKERS — Lisle Blackbourn, making his second NFL cruise as the Packers' head coach, lists 94 players under contract.

NFL teams are permitted to carry only 33 players, after the first game of the regular season. It follows that 61 of the Packers signees were expensive baggage.

Five front-line performers on Green Bay's fine, but losing, team last year have been summoned for service duty.

The loss of Max McGee of Tulane, rookie sensation as a passcatching, high scoring end and standout punter, is a stunning blow. Art Hunter of Notre Dame, who proved up as a rookie tackle last season; Al Barry, guard from USC; Gene White, defensive back from Georgia; and Bobby Garrett, Stanford's 1953 All-America qb, are other other Packers, who have been tapped by Uncle Sam.

Also, Veryl Switzer, brilliant 1954 rookie Negro back from Kansas State, is likely to get a service call.

Two more front line players, Clayton Tonnemaker of Minnesota, line-backing terror for three seasons, and Dave Stephenson, W. Virginia, six-season offensive center star, have retired.

Tom Johnson, Michigan, tackle, and Bill Reichard, Iowa, fullback, both of whom played one season with the Packers, have returned from service. Johnny Coatta, Wisconsin qb, John Hlay, Ohio State fullback, and Bill Turnbeaugh, Auburn tackle, who entered service before they could report to the Packers, have been discharged.

Gib Dawson, Texas, halfback, has returned to the Packer fold after serving one season as assistant coach at his alma mater. Dawson, voted the "most valuable All-Star player in 1953," was handicapped by injuries that season, his first in pro ball.

Tom Bettis, Purdue guard and the Packers' No. draft pick; Jim Temp, Wisconsin, end; Hugh Bullough, Michigan State, guard; Norm Amundsen, Wisconsin, guard John Crouch, TCU, end; Ed Culpepper, Alabama, tackle, and George Machoukas, Toledo, center, are rated Green Bay's top draftees.

Bettis is expected to step into Tonnemaker's large brogans as center line-backer and Machoukas is rated Stephenson's probable successor. Jan Smid, Illinois linebacker and captain, was picked off as a free agent and figures to make the grade as a "sleeper."

Coatta is expected to "make it" as Tobin Rote's qb understudy.

EASTERN DIVISION

NEW YORK GIANTS — Jim Lee Howell, former Giant star, takes off as head coach of the Mara entry for his second season with a solid squad. It has fair depth all around and no glaring weakness.

Defensive end is something of a problem, but Howell, always willing to take a gamble, figures to correct this fault by personnel shifts, or by a trade. Joe Heap, Notre Dame, No. 1 draft pick; Alex Webster, N. Carolina State, who has been lured back from Canada; and Mel Triplett, Toledo, rated a fantastic fullback, are the gents, who are expected to put the go-go in the Giants' running assault.

Webster, a crashing power runner, was voted "the most valuable player in the Canadian Big Four Circuit" last year, while performing for the Montreal Alouettes.

John Steinberg, Stanford, and Ron Locklin, Wisconsin offensive ends; Rex Boggan, Mississippi, and Roosevelt Grier, Penn State, kingsized tackles; Jim Patton, Mississippi, defensive halfback, and Ed Stowers, Wake Forest, and Bill Hillen, West Virginia, defensive ends, are other grade A rookies.

Guard Ray Beck, Georgia, and tackle Hal Mitchell, UCLA, both efficient regulars in 1952, are back from Army duty. Beck was an outstanding offensive rookie blocker, fast and hard-hitting. Also, Tex Coulter, a terrific two-way lineman before he jumped to Montreal, has returned.

Charley Conerly, Bobby Clatter-buck and Don Heinrich give Howell a three-deep setup at the vital qb spot. Conerly is not a great qb, but he is a handy guy to have around. Clatterbuck, up from Houston, did a good job as a rookie last year. Henrich, carried all last season as insurance, after injuries put him out of action early, may finally come through. Also, he could provide the Giants with a long pitch, something Conerly and Clatterbuck do not possess.

Bob Schnelker and Ken Mac-Afee give the Giants a pair of fine pass catching ends. Between them, they speared 16 TDs last season. Fullback Eddie Price, a rugged veteran line smacker, is back. So is halfback Kyle Rote.

Roosevelt Brown, Dick Yelvington, tackles; Bill Austin and Jack Stroud, guards; and Ray Wietecha, center, provide the Giants with a solid, experienced offensive line.

Ray Krouse and Ray Collins, tackles; Em Tunnell, Tom Landry, Dick Nolan and Herb Rich, backs, and backer-ups Pat Knight and Bill Svoboda, are a rugged core of defensive platoon veterans.

Herb Johnson, back, Dick Wilkins, end, and center veteran John

Rapacz, also reserves, and Johnny Cannady, first string line-backer, have retired. Bill Albright and Bill Shipp, defensive linemen, jumped to Canada.

CLEVELAND BROWNS—Any discussion of the 1955 Browns must center on the qb position, now that the incomparable Otto Graham has decided "he's had it."

The great Graham piloted the Browns since they were organized back yonder in 1946. George Ratterman, star in his own right at Notre Dame, with the old Buffalo Bills and in the NFL with the New York Yanks in 1950, has the dubious distinction of steppin' into Graham's cinderella sandals.

Coach Paul Brown concentrated on line-backers, defensive ends and offensive backs in the draft, the spots he figures needed bolstering the most.

Paul came up with line-backer Sam Palumbo, Notre Dame; end John Hall of Iowa and halfback Dean Renfro, brother of the Browns' Ray, North Texas State.

Aramis Dandoy, USC; Henry Ford, Pittsburgh; and Bob Smith, Nebraska, all halfbacks, are other likely rookies.

So are Glen Dillon, Pitt end; Jack Eaton, New Mexico tackle; James Greer, Elizabeth City, N.C., Teachers, end; and Jim Ray Smith, Baylor, tackle.

Joe Skibinski, Purdue, guard; John Pettibon, Notre Dame, defensive back, Pat Cannemela, USC, linebacker, and Howard Johnson, Santa Barbara, tackle, have returned from service.

Tom Catlin, center line-backer, Billy Reynolds and Chet Hanulak, backs, are the only players lost to the service.

Bear in mind, however, that 11 Brown players are in the 30-year, or older, age bracket. Dante Lavelli, Len Ford, Horace Gillom, Don Colo, Lou Groza, John Kissell, John Sandusky. Abe Gibron, Frank Gatski, Tommy James, Warren Lahr and Jones, if he plays, make up this group.

Still, no less an authority than George Halas concedes that the "Browns have the finest secondary defense against both passing and running." Don Paul and Warren Lahr, halfbacks, and safetyman Ken Gorgal, with relief men Ken



Konz and James, compose this airtight umbrella defense.

Offensive fullback is in good hands with Maurice Bassett, the team's leading ground-gainer as a rookie last year, with 588 yards in 144 carries available and veteran Fred (Curly) Morrison still around to back him up. Another asset will be Bob Gain, ex-Kentucky All-America tackle.

PHILADELPHIA EAGLES -Big Jim Trimble has flown Philadelphia into a second place finish during the three seasons he has been the Eagles' pilot.

Jim sincerely believes his team will be even stronger this season. The Eagles were pass daffy last season. They flew through the air with the greatest of ease, with Adrian Burk and Bobby Thomason throwing to Pete Pihos and Bobby Walston, a super pass grabbing team, catching, but couldn't move the ball on the ground.

Dick Bielski, Maryland fullback, star of the Shrine Game and the Eagles' No. 1 draft choice, and Billy Quinn, Texas, and Duke Washington, Washington State, halfbacks, are the best of the Eagles' offensive backfield rookies.

Three former crack Eagle defensive players have emerged from service. They are Bibbles Bawel, Evansville, Ind., Teachers, half-back; Bob Stringer, Tulsa, two-year pro line-backer; and Bob Bell, Penn's 1951 All-America end and a terrific player.

Dean Dugger, Ohio State, twoway end; Buck Lansford, Texas, 235-pound tackle, and Gene Lamaone, West Virginia, 228-pound guard, are other rookies, who are likely to stick.

Jim Weatherall, Oklahoma's All-America tackle in 1950, has been enticed back to the Eagles' nest from Canada.

Weatherall, 6-4 and a 235-pounder, was drafted by the Eagles for the 1951 season. He spent the next two years in the Marines, however, and launched his pro career with Edmonton Eskimos last year.

Jerry Williams, handy-andy back and a six-season pro, has retired to coach at the U. of Montana. Mike Jarmoluk, huge 250-pound tackle and nine-season pro, also retired.

Neil Worden, fullback, and Me-

nil Mavraides, guard, ex-Notre Dame All-Americas, who made the grade with the Eagles as 1954 rookies, are in the Army. The Eagles lost only one man to Canada Andy Nacrelli, Fordham end.

Bielski is the key to any plan to improve the Eagles' ground assault. With Bielski the fullback, Trimble plans to return Jim Parmer, an eight-season pro, who played fullback for the past two seasons, to his normal position, halfback. The return of Bawel, Stringer and Bell will make it practical, too, to employ Jerry Norton, the Eagles' 1954 prize rookie, as an offensive halfback.

Norton played defense last year and did a corking job. Jerry, former SMU star, is a great running and pass-receiver, however, and his employment on the offensive platoon is certain to add speed and elusiveness to the attack.

Offensive center is another weak spot, except when Chuck Bednarik is worked both ways. However, Trimble is not anxious to subject Bendarik, now a seven-season pro, to the punishment of working the dual job. Gerry Krisher, Ohio State, may be the solution of this problem.

Pete Pihos, a nine-season pro, has kept the Eagles flying high. It's an annual wonder how the durable ex-Indiana end keeps going and this may be the year he runs down finally. Pete speared 60 passes last season.

Bobby Walston, Pihos' offensive end teammate, is still at his peak. A great point kicker, too, Walston led the league in scoring, with 114 points last season.

WASHINGTON REDSKINS—Joe Kuharich comes up to his second season as head coach of the Redskins, with an improving team.

The Redskins' most important new chattel is Ralph Guglielmi, Notre Dame's All-America qb and their No. 1 draft pick. There may be better long-ball passers around, but Guglielmi is a smart, surehanded, signal-caller.

Kuharich also has Al Dorow and Eddie LeBaron, another qb veteran, has rejoined the team, after a Canadian whirl.

Dorow, ex-Michigan State star, completed 70 passes on 138 pitches, eight for TDs, in his rookie season. Acquisition of La Vern Torgeson, line-backing star from Detroit, and Leo Elter, fullback, from Pittsburgh in trades will help. So will the return of Gene Brito, a smashing defensive end, from Canada and Billy Cox, halfback, from service.

Bob Haner, Villanova, halfback; Tom Louderback, San Jose, linebacker; Ron Marciniak, Kansas State, guard, and J. D. Kimmel, West Point and Houston, Len Oniskey, Cornell, and Ron Geyer, Michigan, tackles, are the best of the other draftees.

Three Redskin veterans, Joe Tereshinski, end, and Charley Justice, halfback, and Jack Scarbath, quarterback, have retired. In addition four seasoned players, Jim Strader, Notre Dame, center; Billy Wells, Michigan State, and George Rosso, Ohio State, halfbacks, and Ron Hansen, Minnesota, guard, have entered service.

Bob Morgan, ex-Maryland tackle, was the Redskins only loss to Canada.

The return of Brito and acquisition of Torgeson should plug two serious defensive holes: left end and line-backer. If Kimmel and Louderback measure up, the front line defense will be stronger. The team's pass defense is still full of holes.

Vic Janowicz and Dale Atkeson, with their freshman season behind them, should give the running attack better punch, particularly if Bob Goode and Chuck Drazenovich, block-busting fullbacks remain sound.

Hugh (Bones) Taylor, starting his ninth pro season, is still the Redskins top receiver. Taylor has played 92 consecutive games. He made 37 catches for 659 yards and eight TDs last year. Ed Carson, Georgia, and Ed Barker, Washington State, both veterans, are the other two defensive ends.

PITTSBURGH STEELERS—The Steelers will be tough and trouble-some, but, unless their luck changes, figure to drop down a notch in the Eastern Division.

After a fine start, the Steelers were plagued with an injury epidemic last year. Walt Kiesling, starting the second season of his second term as the Steelers' field commander, is convinced that the team's luck cannot get any worse.

The qb position is the key to any surprise behavior the Steelers may generate. Ted Marchibroda, former Detroit U. star, who has returned from service, could be the guy to balance the Steelers' attack.

The Steelers still have Jimmy Finks, starting his sixth pro season, but the erratic, brittle Salem, Ill., citizen has never quite proved up.

The Steelers losses were not serious. Biggest blow was the retirement of Bill Walsh, a six-year veteran, who returned to Notre Dame, as an assistant.

The losses have been offset, however, by the return from service of Ed (Big Mo) Modzelewski, Maryland's All-America fullback; Jack McClairen, Florida A&M offensive end; and Pat Sarness, Temple, a fine tackle prospect.

Dick Modzelewski, Big Mo's 259pound kid brother, was acquired in an off-season trade for Leo Elter, fullback.

Kiesling concentrated on linemen in this year's draft and the Steelers did not acquire any big name backs.

Frank Varrichione, Notre Dame, tackle and the Steelers' No. 1 draft choice; Ed Bernet, SMU, end; Fred Broussard, Texas A&M, center; George Mason, Alabama, and Hal Reeves, Oregon, tackles, were the high Steeler draft picks.

Kiesling thinks he has cast a loop over a prize "sleeper" back in Lem Harkey of Kansas.

The Steelers have an upper-crust veteran offensive backfield unit in Lynn Chandnois and Ray Mathews, halfbacks, and Fran Rogel, fullback. Chandnois and Mathews are superlative pass catchers, too.

Capt. Elbie Nichols, starting his ninth pro season, like Pihos, is an annual wonder, but he keeps right on rolling and is still one of the league's top receivers. In Pat Brady, the Steelers own the finest NFL punter.

CHICAGO CARDINALS—The disorganized Cardinals can't get any worse. They have finished last in the Eastern Division for the past two seasons.

The Big Red hasn't owned a big league qb since the great Paul Christman retired in 1950 and seem to be operating on the theory that a team doesn't need direction, either on the field, or in the front-

office. At all events, they passed up Ralph Guglielmi, Notre Dame's All-America qb, and took Max Boydston, Oklahoma end star, instead, as their No. 1 draft choice.

In fact, the Cardinals didn't draft a qb, until the seventh round. Then they took Dave Leggett, Ohio State. Ronnie Morris, Tulsa, and Ogden Compton, Hardin-Simmons, also are Big Red rookie qbs.

Lamar McHan and Steve Romanik, who threw for the Cardinals last year, are back. The team's record indicts them.

The Cardinals own one of the finest halfbacks now active in Ollie Matson, but the great Negro doesn't get much assistance from his inept mates.

The Cardinals think they have another Matson in Dave Mann, Oregon State, halfback, who teamed with Ollie at Fort Ord. They are counting heavily, too, on rookies Jim Hook, Missouri, and Al Matthews, San Jose halfbacks.

Gern Nagler, Santa Clara, a top pass-catching end in 1953, has completed a service hitch. So have Frank McPhee, Princeton, and Ed Woodsum, Yale, ends; and Chick Fry, Maryland, and Walt Villieu, Purdue, tackles, all rookies.

Dick Brubaker, Ohio State, end; Tony Pasquesi, Notre Dame, tackle: Lin Crow, USC, Mal Hammack, Florida, and Frank Bernardi, Colorado, halfbacks; and Mario Da Re, USC, and John Bowersox, Maryland, tackles; and Sam Irvine, Maryland, center, are the best of the other Cardinal draftees.

Jim Ladd, end; Ledio Fanucci, tackle; Gordon Plolofsky, guard; and Bill Bredde, fullback, were lost to the service and Paul Barry, halfback, has retired.

Charley Trippi is launching his ninth pro season, but the once great Georgia halfback, "ain't what he used to be."

There are some fine players on the Cardinal roster, Jerry Groom, Jack Simmons, Leo Sanford, Tom Bienemann, Dick Lane, Chuck Ulrich, Len Teeuws, Les Goble, Leo Sugar, Jerry Watford and Fred Wattner must be included in this group. But, unfortunately, there are not enough of 'em and the Cardinals are a motley crew, indeed.

Front-office meddling is mainly responsible for the Cardinals' tail-spin.

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Detroit at Los Angeles
Green Bay at Cleveland
Philadelphia at Chicago Cards
Pittsburgh at New York
Washington at Baltimore

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Cleveland at Chicago Cards
Detroit at San Francisco
Pittsburgh at Philadelphia
Washington at New York
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Pittsburgh at Chicago Cards
6—Green Bay at Chicago Bears
New York at Cleveland
Philadelphia at Washington

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Cleveland at Philadelphia
Detroit at Pittsburgh
Los Angeles at Chicago Bears
San Francisco at Washington

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Los Angeles at Baltimore
Philadelphia at New York
Pittsburgh at Cleveland
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Canadian Football

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A SUPER DIPLOMAT IS NEEDED TO HALT RAIDS AND DISORGANIZATION

CANADIAN professional football! What is it?

It's disorganized, full of petty suspicion, jealousy, a bit of the old double-cross and only slightly less than silly in some aspects.

Still, it has mushroomed spectacularly into a multi-million dollar project since 1948, despite its penchant for organized confusion.

Canadian football has picked up a lot of yardage in the American press because of its player raid war with the National Football League. Actually, the border battle is a tempest in a tea-pot.

It has boiled down to a simple, but exceedingly expensive, sniper nuisance, as far as the NFL is concerned. But, if the Canadian leagues continue it to save face, they are quite likely to price themselves out of business. At the moment, Canadian football is at the cross-roads.

Officials of both Canadian pro leagues, the Inter-Provincial Rugby Union, the Big Four, and the Western Provincial Union, the Western Conference, insist that they do not want war.

Bert Bell, NFL commissioner, has explored every possible peace avenue and they have all turned out to be blind alleys for the same reason.

The Canadian leagues do not have a spokesman, who has the constituted authority to speak and act for them collectively. Because of it, Bell has repeatedly found himself "holding the bag"—actually bargaining with himself.

It takes two to make a fight. It also takes two to make peace.

The Western Conference, which includes the Edmonton Eskimos, defending Grey Cup champions, Winnipeg Blue Bombers, Regina (Saskatchewan) Roughriders, Vancouver Lions and the Calgary Stampeders, has a paid commissioner, G. Sydney Halter, with headquarters in Winnipeg.

James McCaffrey of Ottawa is

president-elect of the Big Four circuit in which the Hamilton Tiger-Cats, Montreal Alouettes, Toronto Argonauts and Ottawa Rough Riders are members.

The Big Four president is not salaried. The appointment is more, or less, a social arrangement. Naturally, the president's authority is limited.

The rival Canadian pro leagues do not honor each other's rights, except the curious playing code and on matters pertaining to the Grey Cup game.

The Big Four conducts an annual draft of graduating Canadian college players, similar to NFL's, supposedly to establish negotiating rights. It is a common practice, however, for Western Conference teams to raid players who have previously been claimed in the draft by Big Four teams.

Halter and McCaffrey are apparently men of good faith, but they seem to be working at cross purposes. Also, they are embarrassed constantly by thoughtless, selfish actions of individuals within their own organization. In a smaller sense, Bell also has been humiliated by a minority NFL group.

There is no doubt that the majority of the NFL clubs and Canadian clubs want peace. The selfishness and suspicions of a few quaint characters has stalled all peace negotiations.

What, then, is the cause of the player raid controversy?

The refusal of some Canadian clubs and certain NFL clubs, notably Detroit and New York, to recognize and respect contract option clauses.

NFL commissioner Bell says:

"We have no objections to competing with any Canadian club for the services of graduated American college players who are free agents. However, once a player decides to play either in Canada, or for NFL club, we believe his contractual obligations should be honored.

"Most Canadian clubs are willing to go along on this proposition, but there is a minority that,
so far, has refused to do so. We
are ready to meet the Canadian
clubs half way, but, of course,
certain clubs who have raided
NFL players who were under contract, or contract option, would
have to make restitution to us before any agreement could be
reached."

Legally, the contract option clause does not stand up. In fact, the NFL would be loathe to test this provision in court, particularly if suit was filed by an individual player.

The dispute simmers down to a question of survival, at least survival on a big-time basis, to the Canadian die-hards. They claim there aren't enough top players developed in Canada to populate the nine Dominion teams. To keep Canadian football at a top level, players must be imported from the United States.

It is true that Canadian football cannot be maintained at a top level without importing Yankee players. It is not necessary, however, to raid players under contract and contract options to NFL teams. Edmonton did not raid a single player, under contract or option, to a NFL club last year, but won the Grey Cup championship.

NFL clubs draft 360 free-agent college players every year. If six of any NFL club's draft picks "make the grade" that club is fortunate, indeed. That leaves slightly less than 300 free agents, who never get a chance to play with any NFL club.

Under Canadian rules, which change almost as rapidly as the weather, no club can play more than ten American (import) players in any game.

This year, the rule designating

American players, who had played four, or more, seasons in Canada as "naturalized imports" was tossed out the window. Previously, they merited the status of Canadion-born players. Thus, unless the Canadians lift present restrictions against imports, there never will be a time when they can legally employ more than 100.

This leaves a total of approximately 200 graduated, drafted American college players annually, who are unable to play pro ball anywhere. All of which makes the current player war ridiculous.

There are just too many top grade players on the loose to make a dispute over one of them sensible.

Canadian clubs have made some moves towards ending the war. The Western Conference amended its rules last April so that none of its clubs is permitted to sign players under contract, or contract option, to NFL teams. Several clubs have entered into separate agreements with individual NFL clubs not to raid each other.

The Toronto club of the Big Four wheel, with Harry Sonshine directing the sniping, has gone right on raiding players under contract option to the NFL, with Detroit the principal target.

Tom Dublinski, veteran Lion qb; Gil Maines, tackle; and Jim Martin, veteran trouble-shooting line star, have been picked off in the Argonauts' recent raids.

Except for the Toronto raids, the trend among Canadian teams is to shy away from "big-name" American players.

Only three high free agent NFL draft choices have been signed by Canadian clubs, all of them having been lured away from the champion Cleveland Browns: Kurt Burris, Oklahoma linebacker and No. 1 pick; Leroy Bolden, Michigan State halfback, No. 8; and Bob McNamara, Minnesota, a great back, drafted No. 9 in 1954 as a future, are the lads in question.

Burris is with Edmonton, Bolden with Vancouver and McNamara with Winnipeg.

This is in sharp contrast to 1953 when four NFL No. 1 draft picks, Billy Vessels, Bobby Marlow, Don Moomaw and Tom Stolhanske, and three No. 2 selections, Bernie Flowers, Ed Crowder and John Henry Johnson, were picked off by Canadian teams.

It is noticeable, too, that many "name" American players are returning from Canada to the NFL. Johnson, Stolhanske, Flowers, Eddie Le Baron, Tex Coulter, Jim Cason, George Ratterman, John Kissell, Bob Gain, Jim Weatherall and Gene Brito are in this group.

Cut-throat bidding for American stars has forced salaries up to a point where the Canadains, whose stadium seating capacities are less than half of those available to U.S. teams, are far less able to pay than NFL owners.

No one is winning the border battle except U. S. players.

Let's put competent witnesses from both sides on the stand.

President-elect McGaffrey of the Big Four has some theories on the matter, but bear in mind that he does not have the authority to act for the Canadian leagues collectively. McGaffrey says:

"I would not agree to any settlement which is a one-way affair. Our individual club owners feel the same way. We want peace and a stabilization of the present spiralling situation, but we also want the NFL to see a few things from our viewpoint.

"There is no doubt that all Canadian teams are ready to honor and respect NFL contracts and option clauses.

"The one proviso is that Canadian clubs feel only one-year options should be included. At present, the NFL wants us to agree not to touch a player signed, but who does not play, or plays one season and quits, or goes into the army.

"The key to the situation, I think, is the annual draft in which Canadian clubs have no part. I feel that were they to be invited, a settlement would be effected tomorrow. In addition to balancing the situation, this would also stop fantastic bidding each year.

"I also would advocate that each Canadian club have a working agreement with a particular NFL team for the purpose of picking up unwanted players, on a recall basis. The idea behind this would be for NFL clubs to make available any players cut, or ones placed on waivers, with the Cana-

dian affiliate getting first bid. Then, other NFL clubs would have an opportunity, with the remainder of the Canadian clubs next.

"I would like to point out, too, that the traffic in players has not been a one-way business, with the road leading only to Canada.

"Four players have been taken from Ottawa in the past few seasons by Detroit, Cleveland and Pittsburgh, despite the fact that each had a legal contract with Ottawa. In some cases, the players had received advances, which were never repaid.

"Detroit took Gene Gedman and Dick Kercher, Cleveland took Bob Gain and Pittsburgh Marvin Natuszak. All of their contracts were ignored.

"Canadian football is agreeable to respect contracts and options (one year only), held by NFL clubs, but only on a basis of receiving a fair deal in the matter of the draft."

George Halas, founder and head coach of the Chicago Bears and the NFL elder statesman, has some rebuttal ideas. Here they are:

"I am willing to compete with Canadian clubs for the services of players in an open market when the question of signing an original contract arises. Once that contract is signed, however, I must take whatever legal steps are necessary to protect it in order to safeguard the strength and morale of the Bears.

"The business of operating a pro football club is tremendously complicated. NFL teams carry 33 active players. All of these players are specialists in one, or more, departments of offensive, or defensive, football.

"Consequently, the loss of a top-flight player, trained and developed over a three or four year period because of a breach of contract, or option clause, represents a far greater financial loss than the amount paid in salaries to that particular player.

"There is another aspect of the contractual picture which is pertinent. There is a sharp difference in over-all salary policies governing Canadian and NFL teams.

"Canadian teams resrict the number of American players to ten and there is no limit on salaries paid to American imports. American salaries far exceed and are disproportionate to those paid native Canadian players.

"Thus, the Canadian owners can afford to pay a relatively high salary to ten American players and bring their over-all payroll into balance by paying proportionately lower salaries to Canadian players.

"I firmly believe the continued growth and prosperity of pro football, both in Canada and the United States, depends on cordial, co-operative relationships of owners and a mutual respect for contractual obligations. Firm contract relations are a vital necessity in pro football."

Commissioner Halter of the Canadian Western Conference, agrees with Halas. He says:

"The obvious solution of the player raid war is for an agreement to be entered into between the Canadian leagues and the NFL, whereby they would agree to respect each other's contracts and options. I believe that such an agreement will likely be entered into next year."

Vic Obeck, vice president and general manager of the Montreal

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"Pro football must be run on an ethical, business-like basis. The rights of others must be respected. Most of the trouble has been caused by one, or two, NFL clubs and one, or two, Canadian clubs. I feel that the majority of the pro teams on this continent have been hurt by the selfishness of a few.

"I am convinced we are just about at the end of the differences between the NFL and the Canadian leagues."

Canadian pro football is governed by one of the strangest alliances in the sports world. It is known as the Canadian Rugby Union. Actually, it is an affiliation of six leagues.

Four of them are so-called amateur organizations. The other two, the Western Conference and the Big Four are self-confessed pros. The pros do pretty much as they please, but insist on keeping company with the "amateurs" for alleged social benefits.

The five Western Conference clubs are in an enviable position. Each is supported by community enterprise. Any person in the town represented by a club is qualified to become a stockholder.

He can buy a share in his hometown club for as little as five bucks. In effect, the team is owned by the community and supported the way the average citizen backs his church and police and fire departments.

Western Conference clubs have seldom lost money in recent years, despite mounting payroll costs.

In contrast, things are dismal in the Eastern Big Four and the danger point appears to have been reached. Montreal is owned by a compact group of local sportsmen, headed by Leo Dandurand and Ted Workman.

Toronto has come under control of a private financial syndicate. Ottawa and Hamilton are ventures which can be regarded loosely as public ownership.

Ottawa suffered an estimated \$50,000 loss in 1954. Another heavy red-ink season could mean the end of the line for pro football in Canada's capital.

A fortunate and lucrative deal with the National Broadcasting Co. undoubtedly saved the other three Big Four clubs from taking financial beatings last year. NBC paid \$250,000 for the privilege of televising Big Four games over its U.S. network. The Big Four teams cut up this melon in equal shares.

The curious, complicated Canadian rules and the Canadian game itself were not popular with American viewers, and NBC has abandoned the experiment this year. This means the Big Four suffered a staggering \$250,000 revenue set-back before the season began.

The Canadian Broadcasting Co. will televise Big Four and Western Conference games in Canada this Fall. The payoff, naturally, will be far short of the lush 1954 windfall.

Canadian clubs adhere to two standard practices, after a losing season. They fire the coach and hire a flock of new American imports. Three of the nine Canadian teams have new coaches this season. There were four coaching changes in 1954.

Bill Swiacki, ex-Columbia, New York Giant and Detroit Lions end star, is Toronto's new coach. He came to the Alouettes from the Giants where he served as end

Chan Caldwell, former Tennessee coach, is Ottawa's new field foreman. He replaces Clem Crowe.

Jack Hennemier, formerly Jim Tatum's aide at Maryland, is the third new Canadian coach. He has succeeded Larry Siermering, who lasted only one season, as head coach of the Calgary Stampeders.

Only two Canadian coaches have survived three seasons with their present affiliates. They are Douglas (Peahead) Walker, Montreal's head man, and Carl Voyles of the Hamilton Tiger-Cats. They are starting their fourth campaign.

Three of the current coaches are beginning their second season. Frank (Pop) Ivy of Edmonton; Al Sherman of Winnepeg, and Annis Stuks of Vancouver make up this group.

Stukus, oddly enough, is the only native-born Canadian coach. He is a reformed sports writer and an ex-Toronto Blues college star.

The system of qualification for the Grey Cup championship playoff, which will be played in Vancouver this year, is patterned after that employed to determine the Stanley Cup hockey finalists and just as silly.

Last year, Edmonton won the battered Grey Cup by edging out Montreal in the final at Toronto, 26 to 25, a 90-yard run-back of a fumbled lateral in the fourth period by Jackie Parker, ex-Mississippi State star, being the medium.

Under Canada's complex method of determining Grey Cup game finalists, the only sane prediction of a crystal-ball prophet is that one of the nine teams will win the old mug.

My Canadian operatives are brave enough, however, to predict that it will be a dog-fight battle this season in the Big Four between Montreal and Toronto. They also think Edmonton, the defending Grey Cup champion, must be considered the top contender in the Western Conference, with the Regina (Saskatchewan) Roughriders, coached by Frank Filchock, rating a real dark-horse chance.

The award of the Grey Cup final to Vancouver's Empire Stadium in far western British Columbia this year caused quite a commotion. Previously, it had always been contested in Toronto's Varsity Stadium. Fear of financial distress was the main reason for the transfer.

Toronto's Varsity Stadium seating capacity is 27,000. Vancouver's Empire Stadium will accommodate 40,000. Net income from the 1954 Cup game was \$104,986.

Stepped up admissions, ranging from \$7.50 to \$2, a 13,000 seating capacity increase, plus TV, radio, program and concession revenue, is expected to skyrocket the net figure to \$242,000 this year. Empire Stadium will be rent-free. Toronto separated the leagues from \$21,000 rent for Varsity Stadium in 1954.

There is gold, lots of it, in Canadian football. It will take a super diplomat, however, to put "rule, or ruin" Canadian pro ball on the road to peace and sane prosperity. Even Philadelphia lawyers, Bert Bell's, that is, couldn't do it.

Spiralling costs and budget balancing failures-nothing elsewill force the Canadian leagues into a peaceful co-existence eventually with their hated, but powerful, enemy, the NFL.



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1955 SCHEDULE AND SELECTOR'S CHART

- * Home game
- + Conference game
- Night game
- F Favorite team
- T Toss-up
- **U** Underdog

When game is not played on column side, correct date appears in box. Scores in box are for 1954 if teams played. First number is score of team on whose schedule appears, second number is score of team listed in box. All symbols refer to team on whose schedule they appear. Thus: *F appearing beside a team on Alabama's schedule means Alabama is at home and is favored to win.

City in parentheses on schedule, is where game will be played.

	Sept. 17	Sept. 24	Oct. 1	Oct. 8	Oct. 15	Oct. 22	Oct. 29	Nov. 5	Nov. 12	Nov. 19
AIR FORCE ACADEMY Colorado Springs Colorado (Freshmen)			Following are All freshman teams	Denver (at Denver)	Colorado A & M (at Colorado Springs)	Colorado U. (at Pueblo)	Kansas (at Denver)	Utah (at Colorado Springs)	Wyoming (at Pueblo)	New Mexico (at Albu- querque Oklahoma Nov. 26 (at Denver)
AKRON Ohio		Wittenberg 7—12 + • U	Muskingum *+• U	Otterbein 27—20 + F	Mount Union 19—0 *+ ● F	Denison 26-35 *+ U	Wooster 27—28 + F	Oberlin *+ F	Heidelberg 15—53+ ● U	
ALABAMA Tuscaloosa		Rice • U	Vanderbilt 28—14+⊕ F	T. C. U. *U	Tennessee (Birmingham) 27—0 + T	Mississippi State 7—12 *+ U	Georgia 0—0 + U	Tulane (Mobile) 0-0 + F	Georgia Tech (Birmingham) 0—20 + U	Miami (Fla). Nov. 18 7—23 • U Auburn Nov. 26 6—28 + U
AMHERST Massachusetts		Colby 32—12 * F	Union 50—14 F	Bowdoin 25-19 * F	Coast Guard 33—13 F	Wesleyan 14-0 *+ F	Tufts 6-7 U	Trinity 12-21 #T	Williams 21-14 + F	
ARIZONA Tueson	Colorado A & M *• F	Colorado 18—40 U	Idaho 35—13 * ● U	W. Texas St. 48-12 *+ • F	Texas West'n 21-41 *+ • F	Oregon *• U		Texas Tech 14—28 + U	Montana *● F	New Mexico 41—7 * • F Tempe State Nov. 26 54—14+ • F
ARKANSAS Fayetteville	Tulsa 41—0 * F	Okla. A & M (Little Rock)	T. C. U. 20—13 *+ U	Baylor 21—20+ ● U(Texas Little Rock) 20—7 + U	Mississippi 6—0 U	Texas A & M 14-7 *+ F	Rice 28—15 + U	S. M. U. 14-21 + U	Louisiana St. (Little Rock) 6—7
ARMY West Point, N. Y		Furman * F	Penn State	Michigan 26—7 U	Syracuse * F	Columbia 67—12 * F	Colgate * F	Yale 48—7 T	Pennsylvania 35-0 F	Navy Nov. 26 Philadelphia 20-27
AUBURN Alabama		Chattanooga 45—0 * F	Florida 13—19 *+ F	Kentucky (Birmingham) 14—21 + F	Georgia Tech 7—14 + T	Furman * F	Tulane 27—0 + F	Miss. State #+ F	Georgia (Columbus) 35—0 + F	Clemson (Mobile) 27—6 F Alabama Nov. 26 28—0 + F
BALDWIN WALLACE Berea, Ohio		Geneva *• F	Mich. Normal *● F	Kent State Oct. 7 7—52 • U	Bowling Green 0—13 * U	Heidelberg 6—20 U	Youngstown Oct. 27 7—31 • U	Ohio Wesleyan	California State F	
BATES Lewiston, Maine		Norwich 6—18 F	Northeastern 14-18 * F	Brandeis 0-20 * F	Middlebury F	Maine 0-35 *+ F	Bowdoin 15-14 + F	Colby 28—13 + F		
BAYLOR Waco, Texas	Hardin- Simmons *● F	Villanova F	Maryland *• ∪	Arkansas 20-21 *+ ● F	Washington 34—7	Texas A & M 20—7 + F	T. C. U. 12—7 *+ F	Texas 13—7 + T		S. M. U. 33-21*+ F Rice Nov. 26 14-20 + U
BOSTON COL. Chestnut Hill, Mass.		Brandels * F		Viilanova * F	Detroit 12—7 * F	Marquette 13—7 * F	Xavier (O.) 14—19 F	Miami (Fla.) Nov. 4	Boston Univ. 7—6 * U	Holy Cross Nov. 26 31—13
BOSTON UNIV. Massachusetts		Penn State	Connecticut 41—13 * ● F	Syracuse 41—19 ● F	Drake * F	Holy Cross 13—14 F	,	No. Carolina State * F	Boston Col. 6—7 * F	Temple 19—7 * F
BOWDOIN Brunswick, Maine		Tufts 7—14 U	Trinity (Con.) 14-28 * U	Amherst 19—25 U	Williams 24—27 U	Colby 13—20 *+ U	Bates 14—15 *+ U	Maine 13—27 + U		
BOWLING GREEN Ohio	Deflance *• F	Kent State Nov. 23 25—28+ ● U	West. Mich. 15-20 *+ 6 F	John Carroll	Baldwin Wall.	Toledo 7—38 *+ U	Marshall 19-26 + U	Miami (O.) 7—46 + U	Ohio Univ. 14—26 + U	
BRADLEY Peoria, Illinois		Ill. Normal 34—13 * ● F	West, Ill. St. Sept. 29 7—7 • F	Omaha 0-39 * U	Northern Illinois St.	Drake 14—7 * F		Wm. Jewell	Valparaiso 14—14 * F	Washington (Mo.) U South, Ill. Nov. 24
BRIGHAM YOUNG Provo, Utah	Oregon State	Los Angeles State *• F	Montana 19—7₄+ ● F	Utah 7—12 +• U		Denver Oct. 21 0—20 + © U	Wyoming 13—34 + u	Utah State 13—45 ** + U	Idaho 0-7 * U	Colo. A & M 13-14 *+ U New Mexico Nov. 26 12-21 + 7
BROOKLYN COLLEGE New York City			Wor'ter, Tech 0-61 U	Nat'l. Aggles 0-34 * U	Norwich 13-35 U		Montelair State U		Ursinus 0—19 U	Wagner # U
BROWN Providence, R. I.		Columbia 18-7 + F	Yale 24—26 + U	Dartmouth *+ F	Rutgers * F	Rhode Island 35—0 * F	Princeton 21—20 + U	Cornell *+ U	Harvard + U	Colgate Nov. 24 18-14 * 7
BUCKNELL Lewisburg, Pa.		Albright 27—0 *⊕ F	Gettysburg F	Lehigh 48—46 U	Temple 27—0 * F	Lafayette F	Harvard U	Colgate 14-20 * U	Miami (Fla.)	Delaware 0-20 * t
BUFFALO New York		Cortland St. 6—20 *● U	Bockport, St. 6-19 U	Hobart 0-45 *U	McMaster Oct. 14	West'n Res. 7—34 * U	Alfred 0—25 ● U	St. Lawrence 13-6 T	Brandeis 20-52 * U	Renss. Tech 20—19 *
BUTLER Indianapolis, Indiana		Evansville 21—14 *+ F	Indiana St. 38—26 + F	Ball State 13-26 *+ F	St. Joseph's 40-12 + F	DePauw *+ u	Valparaiso 7-39 *+ F	Wabash 14—21 U	Wash. (Mo.) 6—25	
CALIFORNIA Berkeley	Plttsburgh T	Illinois * F	Pennsylvania * F	Washington State 17-7 *+ F	Oregon (Portland) 27—33+ • F	So. California 27—29 *+ U	U. C. L. A. 6—27 + U	Washington 27-6 *+ F	Oregon State	Stanford + t

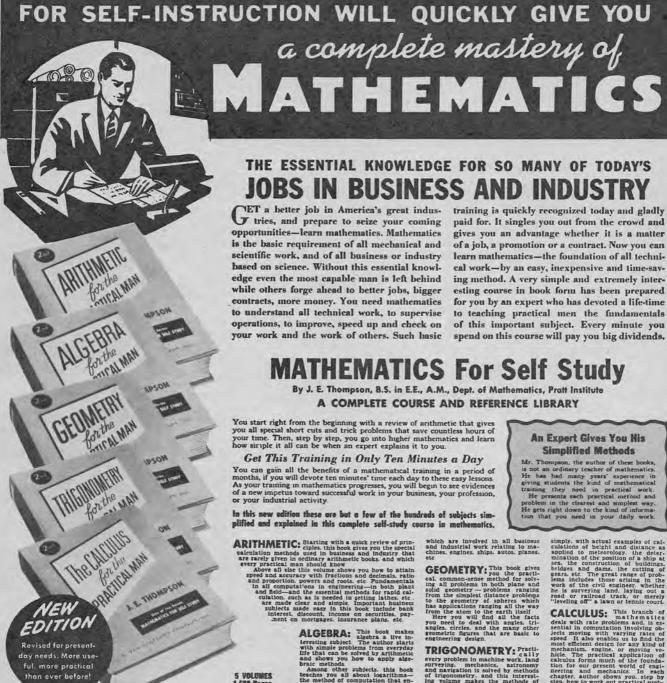
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CHATTANOOGA Tennessee	Jacksonv'e St. Sept. 16 *● F	Auburn 0—45 U	Mississippi Southern Sept. 30 —14 * • U	Tennessee 14—20 U	Vanderbilt Oct. 14 *• U	Abilene Christian Oct. 21 *• T	Dayton 25—14 F	North Texas State 20—19 U	Parris Island Nov. 11 *• T	Memphis St. Nov. 24
CINCINNATI Ohio		Dayton 42—13 * ● U	College of Pacific 13—7 • F	Xavler (O.) 33—0 * F	Marquette 30—13 * ● U	Tulsa 40—7 • F	Detroit 21—13 * F	Wichita 0—13 F	Hardin- Slmmons 27—13 * F	Miami (O.) Nov. 24 9-21
CITADEL Charleston, S. C.		Elon 21—13 * ● F	Davidson 0—13 + U	Richmond Oct. 7 0—26 + • U	Furman 20-31 *+ • U	Presbyterian 19—20 * F	Wofford Oct. 28 14—13 F	Newberry 14—20 * F	V. M. I. 0-42 *+ U	Florida State
CLEMSON South Carolina	Presbyterian 33—0 *● F	Virginia + F	Georgia 7—14 * U	Rice U		So, Carolina Oct. 20 8—13 + F	Wake Forest 32—20 *+ F	Virginia Tech (Roanoke) 7—18	Maryland 0—16 *+ U	Auburn (Mobile) 6-27 Furman Nov. 26 27-6
COLBY Waterville, Maine		Amherst 12—21 U	Middlebury 18-20 * F	Springfield 18—26 * F	Tufts 14—28 U	Bowdoin 20—13 + F	Maine 6-33 *+ U	Bates 13—28 *+ U		
COLGATE Hamilton, New York		Dartmouth 13—7 * U	Cornell 19—14 U	Holy Cross 18-0 * F	Princeton 6-6 U	Yale 13—13 U	Army	Bucknell 20—14 F	Syracuse 12—31 U	Brown Nov. 24 14—18
COLORADO A & M Fort Collins, Colorado	Arizona • U	New Mexico 7—16 *+ ● F	Denver 0—34 *+ ● U	Wyoming 0—34 + U		Utah State 14—20 * + T	Montana 37—34 + F	Oklahoma A & M	Utah 14—13 + U	BrigYoung 14—13 + F Colorado Nov. 26 0—46 * U
COLORADO MINES Golden, Colorado	Washburn Sept. 16 10—13 • U	Montana St. 9—14 *+ ● U	Colorado St. 20—7 *+ ● F	Colo. West'n 8—13 *+ ● U	Colorado Col. Oct. 14 19—13+• F		Colorado St. (2nd Game) 18-6 + F	Idaho State 14—21 + U	Colo. West'n (2nd Game) Nov. 11 12-21 + U	Colorado Col (2nd Game) 21—6 *+ F
COLORADO UNIVERSITY Boulder, Colorado		Arizona 40—18 * F	Kansas 27—0 *+ F	Oregon F	Kansas State 38—14 + F	Oklahoma 6—13 + U	Missouri 19—19 *+ F	Utah 20—7 * F	Nebraska 6—20 + F	Iowa State 20—0 *+ F Colo. A & M Nov. 26 46—0 F
COLUMBIA New York City		Brown 7—18 *+ U	Princeton 20-54 + U	Yale 7-13 + U	Harvard 7-6 *+ U	Army 12-67 U	Cornell 0-26 +U	Dartmouth 0-26 *+ U	Navy 6-51 * U	Rutgers 12—45 * U
CONNECTICUT		Yale 0—27 U	Boston Univ.	Massachusetts 13—20 *+ U	Maine 13-41 + U	Delaware 7—28	N. Hampshire	Northeastern 20—19 F	Rhode Island 0-20 *+ F	Holy Cross 26—46 * U
CORNELL Ithaca, New York		Lehigh *F	Colgate 14—19 * F	Harvard 12—13 + F	Yale 21-47 + U	Princeton 27—0 *+ T	Columbia 26-0 *+ F	Brown + F	Dartmouth 40-21 + F	Pennsylvania Nov. 24 20-6 + U
DARTMOUTH Hanover, N. H.		Colgate 7—13 F	Holy Cross 27—26 * F	Brown + U	Lafayette * F	Harvard 13—7 *+ U	Yale 7—13 + U	Columbia 26-0 + F	Cornell 21—40 *+ U	Princeton 7—49 + U
DAVIDSON North Carolina	Catawba Sept. 16 32—12 • F		Citadel 13—0 *+ F	Presbyterian 7—10 # F	Wash. & Lee	V. M. I. 19-0 + F	Stetson 19—13 F	Richmond + F	Wofford 3−0 * F	Furman 7—19 + T
DAYTON Ohio		Cincinnati 13—42 • F	Kent State *● F	Louisville 27—7 ● F	Xavier (O.) 21—20 * ● F	Tennessee 7—14 U	Chattanooga 14—25 * U	Holy Cross Nov. 6	Miami (O.) 20—12 * F	Miss. South (Jackson) 20-7 Villanova Nov. 27 * F
DELAWARE Newark		Bainbridge N. T. C. * F	Lehigh 21—0 *F	Lafayette 41—7 F	N. Hampshire 19—13 * F	Connecticut 28—7 * F	Rutgers	Gettysburg 13—14 * F	Temple 51—13 F	Bucknell 20—0 F
DENVER Colorado	Iowa State F	Drake Sept. 23 33—13 * ● F	Colorado A & M 34-0 + F	Montana 19-13 + F	Utah Nov. 14 28-20 *+ • U	BrigYoung Oct. 12 20—0 *+ • F	New Mexico 19—6 + F	Colorado Col. 72—0 * F	Utah State 25—7 *+ F	Wyoming Nov. 24 21—33 *+ U
DETROIT Michigan	Toledo Sept. 23 *• F	Wichita Sept. 30 0—20 *+ ● U		Houston Oct. 7 7—19 *+ • U	Boston Col. 7—12	Oklahoma A & M 19—34 *+ U	Cincinnati 13—21 U	Marquette 13—14 U	Villanova 20—0 * U	Tulsa 28—18 + F
DUKE Durham, N. C.		No. Carolina State 21—7 + • F	Tennessee 7—6 F	Wm. & Mary * F	Ohio State	Pittsburgh * F	Georgia Tech 21—20 U	Navy 7—40 T	So. Carolina 26-7 + F	Wake Forest 28-21 *+ F No. Carolina Dec. 3 47-12 *+ F
FLORIDA Gainsville	Mississippi State 7—0 *+ F	Georgia Tech 13—12 *+ U	Auburn 19—13 + U	George Washington (Jacksonville)	L. S. U. 7-20 *+ F	Kentucky 21—7 + ● U		Georgia (Jacksonville) 13—14 + U	Tennessee 14—0 *+ F	Vanderbuit + F Miami (Fla.) Nov. 26 0-14
FLORIDA STATE Tallahassee	No. Carolina State 13—7 * ● T	Miami (Fla.) Sept. 30		Virginia Tech *● F	Georgia 0—14 *● U	Georgia Tech		Villanova 52—13 * F	Furman Nov. 11 33—14 • F	Citadel # F Miss. Soth'n Nov. 26 19—18 • T Tampa Dec. 3 13—0 • F
FRANKLIN & MARSHALL Lancaster, Pa.			Johns Hopkins 41—19 * F	Dickinson 21—14 * F	Drexel Tech 12-7 F	Albright 13—22 F	West'n Md. 0−6	Carnegle Tech	Muhlenburg 6-33 * T	Gettysburg 0-33 T
FRESNO STATE California	ti ne	San Francisco State 39—20 • F	Willamette * F	San Diego Navy * T	Nevada 56-6 *F	San Diego Marines 0—20 * T	Utah State 23—13 F	San Diego State 20—0 * F	Calif. Poly 16—13 • F	San Jose St. Nov. 18 0-28 * • U Hawaii Nov. 26 20-25 • F
FURMAN Greenville, S. C.	Newberry Sept. 16 19—6 *• F	Army U	Wofford 0−19 • F	So. Carolina 7—27	Citadel 31—20+ • F	Auburn	No. Carolina State # # U		Florida State Nov. 11 14—33 * ● U	Davidson 19—7 *+ T Clemson Nov. 26 6—27 * U
GEORGE WASHINGTON Washington, D. C.		V. M. I. 14-16 + (at Roanoke)	Virginia 13—14 U	Florida (Jacksonville)	Pennsylvania 32—27 T	William & Mary 13—13 + F	Virginia Tech 13—20 + U	West Virginia Nov. 4 7—13 *+ ● U	Richmond F	Maryland 6—48 * U
GEORGIA Athens	Mississippi *+ T	Vanderbiit 16—14 *+ F	Clemson 14—7 F	No. Carolina 21—7 * F	Florida State	Tulane 7—0 *+ F	Alabama 0-0 *+ F	Florida (Jacksonville)	Auburn (at Columbus)	Georgia Tech Nov. 26 3—7 + U
GEORGIA TECH Atlanta	Miami (Fia.)	Florida 12—13 + F	S. M. U. 10-7 * F	L. S. U. 30-20+ • F	Auburn 14—7 *+ T	Florida State	Duke 20—21 * F	14—13 + F Tennessee 28—7 + F	Alabama 20-0 + F (Birmingham)	Georgia Nov. 26 7-3 F
HARDIN- SIMMONS Abilene, Texas	Baylor • U	Tulsa 21—14 • F	New Mexico A & M 27—0 *+ ● F		No. Texas St. (at Odessa) 7—20 • T	West Texas State 33-27+ F	Arizona St. (Tempe) 13—14+ • F	Texas West'n Nov. 4 7—20 *+ • U	Cincinnati 13—27 U	Trinity (Tex.) 0—14 U Texas Tech Nov. 26 19—61 U

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HARVARD Cambridge, Mass.			Massachusetts 7—13 * F	Cornell 13—12 *+ U	Columbia 6-7 + F	Dartmouth 7—13 + F	Bucknell * F	Princeton 14—9 *+ U	Brown 21—21 *+ F	Yale 13—9 + U
HOFSTRA Hempstead, L.I., N.Y		Scranton Sept. 23 13—6 * F	St. Lawrence 63-9	Bridgeport 45—14 # F	Northeastern 13—39 * U	Upsala 20—0 F	Cortland 20—13 F	Wilkes Oct. 4 32—12 * F	Springfield F	Kings Point 37—0 * F
HOLY CROSS Worcester, Mass		Temple *F	Dartmouth 26—27 U	Colgate 0—18 U	Quantico Marines Oct. 16 * T	Boston Univ. 14—13 * U	Syracuse 20—25 * U	Dayton Nov. 6	Marquette 14—19 F	Connecticut 46—26 F Boston Coll, Nov. 26 13—31 U
HOUSTON Texas	Montana *● F		Texas A & M 10—7 • U	Detroit Oct. 7 19—7 + • F	Oklahoma A & M 14-7*+• F	Texas Tech 14—61 * ● U	Wichita 7—9*+●F	Tulsa 20—7 + F	Mississippi (at Jackson) 0—26	Villanova 28-7 * F Wyoming Dec. 3 * F
IDAHO Moscow	Washington + U	Utah (at Boise) 14—13	Arizona 13—35 • F	College Pacific 0—13 * U	Washington State 10-0 *+ U		Oregon 0-41 + U	Oregon St. 0—13 + U	Brigham- Young 7—0 + F	Montana * F
ILLINOIS Champaign-Urbana		California U	Iowa State	Ohio State 7-40 + U	Minnesota 6—19 *+ U	Mich. State	Purdue 14-28 *+ U	Michigan 7—14 *+ U	Wisconsin 14—27 + U	Northwest'n 7—20 + F
INDIANA Bloomington		Michigan St. 14—21 *+ U	Notre Dame	Iowa 14-27 + U	Villanova * F	Northwestern 14—13 + F	Ohlo Univ.	Ohlo State 0-28 + U	Michigan 13-9 + U	Purdue 7—13 *+ U
IOWA Iowa City		Kansas State ** F	Wisconsin 13—7 + U	Indiana 27—14 *+ F	Purdue 25—14 *+ F	U. C. L. A. Oct. 21	Michigan 13—14 + U	Minnesota 20—22 *+ F	Ohio State 14—20 + U	Notre Dame 18-34
IOWA STATE	Denver * u		Tilinois U	Kansas 33-6 + F	Missouri 14—32 ** + U	Kansas State 7—12 *+ U	Drake 35—0 F	Nebraska 14-39 *+ T	Oklahoma 0-40 + U	Colorado 0-20 + U
IOWA STATE TEACHERS Cedar Falls		So. Dak. St. 20—41+ ● U	Drake Sept. 30 12—14 • U	No. Dak, St. 39-0 + F	North Dakota 14-13 *+ F	Augustana 50-0 *+ F	Morningside 12—20 *+ U	South Dakota 33—34 + U	Mankato St. * F	
JOHN CARROLL Cleveland, Ohio				Bowling Green	Wayne Univ.	Edinboro St. * F	Case Tech	Western Reserve	Case Tech (2nd game) *+ F	Wayne Univ. (2nd Game) *+ F
JOHNS- HOPKINS Baltimore, Maryland			Franklin & Marshall 19—41	Carnegle Tech 0-25 * U	Hampden- Sydney 14-13 + T	Randolph- Macon 0-27 *+ U	Drexel Tech 0-27 U	Swarthmore 20—19 * F	Dickinson 6—13 F	Western Maryland 7—12 *+ T
KANSAS Lawrence	T. C. U. 6-27 • U	Washington State # U	Colorado 0-27 + U	Iowa State 6—33 *+ U	Oklahoma 0-65 + U	S. M. U. 18-36 * U	Nebraska 20—41 + T	Kansas St. 6—28 *+ U	Okla. A & M 12-47 * U	Missouri 18-41 *+ U
KANSAS STATE Manhattan	Wycming 21—13 * F	lowa U	Nebraska 7—3 *+ F	Marquette U	Colorado 14-38 *+ U	Iowa State 12-7 + F	Oklahoma 0—21 *+ U	Kansas 28-6 + F	Missouri 7-35 + U	Oklahoma A & M
KENTUCKY Lexington	L. S. U. 7-6 + 6 F	Mississippi 9—28 * + ● U	Villanova 28—3 • F	Auburn (Birmingham) 21—14 + U	Mississippi State *+• F	Florida 7—21 *+ • F	Rice * U	Vanderbilt 19-7 + F	Memphis State 33—7 * F	Tennessee 14—13 *+ F
KENT STATE		Bowling Green Sept. 23 28-25 *+ • F	Dayton • U	Baldwin- Wall. Oct. 7 52—7 * • F	Ohio Univ. 7—14 + U	Marshall 41—20 *+ F	Miami (O.) *+ u	Toledo +● F	Waynesburg 26—0 # F	Western Michigan 20—13 + F
KING'S Wilkes Barre, Pa.			Delaware State * F	Mansfield 20—6 * ● F	St. Vincent Oct. 16 18-6 F	Bloomsburg 0-49	West Chester Oct. 28	Scranton 13—26 F	Kings Point 12—13 * ● F	
KING'S POINT (Merch. Mar. Acady.) Long Island, N. Y.				Rensselaer 25—20 * F	Wagner *	Rochester 7—13 U	Upsala	Alfred	King's 13—12 ● U	Hofstra 0—37 U
LAFAYETTE Easton, Pa.		Muhlenberg 0-27 * F	Carnegie Tech 21—23 F	Delaware 7-41 * U	Dartmouth 0-7 * U	Bucknell 0-7 * U	Gettysburg 20—6 F	Rutgers 0-7 * U		Lehigh 46—0 F
LEHIGH Bethlehem, Pa.	- 1	Cornell	Delaware 0-21 U	Bucknell 46-48 * F	Gettysburg 20—6 F	Rutgers 33—13 U	Temple *T	V. M. I.		Lafayette 0-46 * U
LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY Baton Rouge	Kentucky 6—7 *+ ● U	Texas A & M (at Dallas)	Rice U	Georgia Tech 20-30 *+ ● U	Florida 20—7 + U		Mississippi 6—21 *+ ● U	Maryland U	Miss. State 0—25 *+ ● U	Arkansas (at Little Rock) 7-6 Tulane Nov. 26 14-13*+
LOUISVILLE Kentucky	Murray State	Xavler (O.)	Wayne Univ. 6—13 ★ 6 F	Dayton 7—27 * • U	Evansville 26—6 F		West Ky. St. 7—25 *● F	Morehead St. 24—0 *● F	East Ky. St. 6—20 F	Toledo * L
MAINE Orono		Rhode Island 7—14 + F	Vermont 23-20 *+ F	N. Hampshire	Connecticut 41—13 *+ F	Bates 35—0 + U	Colby 33—6 + F	Bowdoin 27—13 *+ F		
MARQUETTE Milwaukee, Wis.		Wisconsin 14-52 U	Tulsa *• F	Kansas State	Cincinnati 13—30 • F	Boston Col. 7—13	West Virginia	Detroit 14—13 * F	Holy Cross 19—14 * U	Mich. State
MARSHALL COLLEGE Huntington, W. Va.		Ohio Univ. 25-26 *+ ● U	Morris Harvey 25—14 • F	West'n Mich. 47—13 + F	Miami (O.) 0—46 *+ ● U	Kent State 20-41 + U	Bowling Green 26—19 *+ F	Youngstown * F	Toledo 21—27+● F	Xavier (O.)
MARYLAND College Park	Missouri -74—13 F	U. C. L. A. 7-12 * U	Baylor • F	Wake Forest	No. Carolina 33—0 + F	Syracuse F	So. Carolina 20-0 *+ F	L. S. U. *F	Clemson 16-0 + F	Geo. Wash.
MASSACHUSETTS Amherst		Amer. Int'l 32-27 * F	Harvard 13—7 U	Connecticut 20—13 + F	Rhode Island 6-52 *+ F	Northeastern 0-39 F	Vermont 25—27 *+ F	Brandels F	N. Hampshire 12-32 + F	
MEMPHIS STATE Tennessee		Trinity (Tex.)	Miss. State 7—27	Murray State 34—6 ● F	Tenn. Tech 25—25 * ● F	Miss. South'n Oct. 21 21—34 * • U	Arkansas St. 26—7 *● F	Mississippi 0—51 *● U	Kentucky 7—33 U	Chattanooga Nov. 24
MIAMI Florida	Georgia Tech	Florida State Sept. 30 * F		Notre Dame Oct. 7 *• T		T. C. U. Oct. 21 *• F	Pittsburgh F	Boston Col. * • F	Bucknell Nov. 11 *• F	Alabama Nov. 18 23—7 * 6 F Florida Nov. 26 14—0 * F
MIAMI Ohio		Northwest'n	Xavier (O.) 42-7 * F	Toledo *+ F	Marshall 46—0 + • F	Ohio Univ. 46—13 *+ F	Kent State	Bowling Gree 46-7 *+ F	Dayton 12-20 U	Cincinnati Nov. 24 21—9
MICHIGAN Ann Arbor		Missouri # F	Mich. State 33-7 *+ F	Army 7—26 * F	Northwest'n 7—0 *+ F	Minnesota 34-0 + F	Iowa 14—13 *+ F	Illinois 14—7 + F	Indiana 9-13 *+ F	Ohio State
MICHIGAN STATE		Indiana 21-14 + F	Michigan 7-33 + U	Stanford * F	Notre Dame 19-20 * U	Illinois *+ U	Wisconsin 0-6 + U	Purdue 13—27 + U	Minnesota 13—19 *+ F	Marquette 40-10 *
MINNESOTA Minneapolis		Washington * F	Purdue *+ U	Northwest'n 26-7 + F	Illinois 19—6 + U	Michigan 0-34 *+ U	So. California * U	Iowa 22—20 + U	Mich. State 19—13 + U	Wisconsin 9-27 *+1
MISSISSIPPI	Georgia	Kentucky 28-9 + F	No. Texas	Vanderbilt	Tulane	Arkansas	L. S. U.	Memphis St.	Houston	Miss. State

	Sept. 17	Sept. 24	Oct. 1	Oct. 8	Oct. 15	Oct. 22	Oct. 29	Nov. 5	Nov. 12	Nov. 19
MISSISSIPPI SOUTHERN Hattiesburg	Elon *• F	Louisiana Tech 28—0 • 1	Chattanooga Sept. 30 14-6	North Texas State 7—15 * • F	Southeast Louisiana 7—13	Memphis St. Oct. 21 34—21 • F		Abilene Christian 23—7	No. Dakota State * • F	Dayton (at Jackson) 7-20 Florida St. Nov. 26 18-19 % 6 7
MISSISSIPPI STATE State College	Florida 0-7 + U	Tennessee 7—19 + F	Memphis St. 27-7 * F	Tulane 14-0 *+ F	Kentucky + • U	Alabama 12—7 + F	North Texas State 48-26 * F	Auburn + 0	L. S. U. 25-0 + • F	Mississippi
MISSOURI Columbia	Maryland 13-74 * U	Michigan	Utah * F	S. M. U. Oct. 7 6-25 • U	Iowa State 32—14 + F	Nebraska 19—25 *+ F	Colorado 19-19 + U	Oklahoma 13—34 *+ L	Kansas St. 35-7 *+ F	Kanasa
MONTANA STATE	Lewis & Clark 25-6 * F		Idaho State	Colorado Col. 34-6 + 6 F	Colorado St. 26-7 *+ F	Colo. West. 8 27—6 + F	Idaho State	Montana 21—25 * F		Whitworth
MONTANA UNIVERSITY Missoula	Houston • U	Wyoming (at Billings)	Brigham- Young 7—19 **	Denver 13—19 *+ U	Utah State 20-13 + U	New. Mexico 14-20 *+ T	Colo, A & M 34-37 *+ F	Montana St. 25—21	Arizona • U	fduho u
MUHLENBERG Allentown, Pa.		Lafayette 27—0 U	Albright 7—12 * T	Rutgers	Lebanon Valley 32-0 # F	Gettysburg 0—34 * T	Scranton * U	Temple	Franklin & Marshall	33—6 T
NAVY Annapolis, Md.		Wm. & Mary 27—0 ★ F	So. Carolina	Pittsburgh 19—21 * F	Penn State	Pennsylvania	Notre Dame 0-6	Duke 40—7 ※ T	Columbia 51-6 F	Army
NEBRASKA Lincoln	Hawaii 50—0 F	Ohio State	Kansas State	Texas A & M	Pittsburgh 7—21 U	Missouri 25-19 + U	Kansas 41—20 *+ T	Iowa State 39—14 + T	Colorado 20-6 *+ U	Oklahoma 7—55 *+ U
NEW HAMPSHIRE Durham		Bridgeport 37—6 * F	Rhode Island	Maine 21—10 *+ F	Delaware 13—19 U	Brandeis 20-7 * F	Connecticut 34-0 + F	Springfield F	Massachusetts	
NEW MEXICO Albuquerque	New Mexico A & M 39—27 ★● F	COLORADO A & M 10-7 + 0 U	Texas Western *• U	Utah State 0—6 + • u	San Jose State 14—26 * ● U	Montana 20—14 + T	Denver 6—19 *+ U		Wyoming 7—9 *+ u	Arizona 7-41 BrigYoung Nov. 26 21-12*+T
NEW MEXICO A & M State College, N. M.	New Mexico 27—39 ● U	New Mexico Highlands * • F	Hardin- Simmons 0-27 + 0 U	Howard Payne 7—34 • U	W. Tex. St. 7—41 *+• 1	Corpus Christi *• F	Tex. Western 7—12 + • U		San Diego State	Arizona St. (Tempe)
NORTH CAROLINA Chapel Hill		Oklahoma * U	No. Carolina State 20 6 + F	Georgia 7—21 U	Maryland 0—33 *+ U	Wake Forest	Tennessee 20—26 * T	South Carolina (at Norfolk) 21-19 + F	Notre Dame 13—42 * U	Virginia 26—14 *+ T Duke Dec. 3 12—47 + U
NORTH GAROLINA STATE Raleigh	Florida State 7—13	Duke 7—21 *+ ● U	North Carolina 6—20 *+ U		Wake Forest 0—26 *+ ● T	Villanova F	Furman 6—7 F	Boston Univ.	Virginia Tech (Bluefield) 21—30 U	Wm. & Mary 26—0 * 6 F W. Virginia Nov. 25 3—28 * 6 U
NORTH DAKOTA STATE Fargo	Concordia Sept. 12 0-12 * F Drake Sept. 16		Morningside 41—27+● U	Iowa Teachers 0—39 #+ U	South Dakota 20—52 *+ U	South Dakota State 13—50+ • U	North Dakota 7—40 + ● T	Augustana 6-6 + • F	Mississippi Southern	
NORTH DAKOTA UNIVERSITY Grand Forks	Hamline * F	Augustana 39—0 *+ F	South Dakota State 26-34 *+ U	Morningside 21-28 *+	Iowa Teachers 13—14 + U	St. John's	North Dakota State 40-7 + T	Superior State	South Dakota 27—21+ • U	
NORTHEASTERN Boston, Mass.	Rhode Island 7—13 * U	Springfield 13—14 * F	Bates 18—14 U	Amer, Int'l F	Hofstra 39—13 F	Massachusetts 39—0 * U		Connecticut 19—20 * U		
NORTH TEXAS STATE Denton		Texas West'n	Mississippi 12—35	Mississippi Southern 15—7 • U	Hardin- Simmons (at Odessa) 20-7 • T	Midwestern 19—0 *+ ● F	Mississippi State 26—48 U	Chattanooga 19-20 * F	McMurray * F	Emporia St. * F Trinity (Tex.) Dec. 3 0-13
NORTHWESTERN Evanston, Illinois		Miami (O.)	Tulane F	Minnesota 7-26 *+ U	Michigan 0-7 + U	Indiana 13—14 *+ U	Ohio State 7—14 + U	Wisconsin 13—34 *+ U	Purdue + U	Illinois 20—7 *+ U
NOTRE DAME Indiana		S. M. U. 26—14 * F	Indiana * F	Miami (Fla.)	Michigan St. 26—19 F	Purdue 14—27 F	Navy 6-0 *F	Pennsylvania 42—7 F	No. Carolina 42—13 F	Iowa 34—18 * F So, Calif. Nov. 26 23—17 F
OBERLIN Ohio			Otterbeln 27—14 *+ F	De Pauw 6-6 U	Allegheny 12—19 * F	Ohio Wesl'n 12-37 *+ U	Rochester 6—20	Akron + U	Denison 0-46 *+ U	Wooster 12-26 + U
OCGIDENTAL Los Angeles, Calif.		Long Beach St. Sept. 23 * • F	Santa Barbara Sept. 30 2-0	Los Ang. St. Oct. 7 6—6 *• U	Whittler Oct. 14 13—7 *+ • T		Redlands Oct. 28 13-21 *+•U	Calif. Aggles	Calif. Tech 39—13+ ● F	Pomona 7—27 + T
OHIO STATE		Nebraska * F	Stanford F	Illinois 40—7 *+ F	Duke * F	Wisconsin 31—14 + F	Northwest'n 14-7 *+ F	Indiana 28-0 *+ F	Iowa 20—14 *+ F	Michigan 21—7 + U
OHIO UNIV.	Youngstown Sept. 15	Marshall 26—25+ ● F	Toledo 28—20+ ● U		Kent State 14—7 米十 F	Miami (O.) 13—46 + U	Indiana U	Western Michigan 6—19 *+ F	Bowling Green 26—14 *+ F	Morris Harvey
OKLAHOMA A & M Stillwater		Arkansas (Little Rock)	Texas Tech 13—13 * U	Wichita 13-22 *+ F	Houston 7—14 + • U	Detroit 34—19 + F	Tulsa 12—0 *+ F	Colorado A & M	Kansas 47—12 F	Kansas St. ** U Oklahoma Nov. 26
OKLAHOMA Norman		No. Carolina	Pittsburgh * F	Texas (at Dallas) 14—7	Kansas 65—0 *+ F	Colorado 13—6 *+ F	Kansas State 21—0 + F	Missouri 34—13 + F	Iowa State 40-0 *+ F	0-14 Nebraska 55-7 + F Okla. A & M Nov. 26
OMAHA Vebraska	Emporia St. 38-6 * F	Morningside 45-0 * F	Washburn Sept. 30	Bradley 39-0 F	E. Ky. St. 7—6 * F	St. Ambrose 35—14	No. III. St. 26-7 * F	Wayne 59-7 F	Idaho State Nov. 11	14-0 * F
DREGON	6-7 OU 15	So, Calif. Sept. 23 14-24+ • U	Washington (at Portland) 26-7 + U	*U	California at Portland)	Arizona • F	Idaho 11—0 *+ F	Washington State	* F Stanford 13—18 + U	Oregon St. 33—14 *+ T
OREGON STATE	Brigham-	Stanford (at Portland)		Control of the second second	College of Pacific	State	Washington 7—17 + U	26-14 + U Idaho 13-0 *+ F	California 7—46 + U	Oregon 14-33 + T
ACIFIC COLLEGE OF tockton, California		Purdue	Cincinnati 7—13 *● U	Idaho	Oregon St.	6-34 *+U San Jose St. 13-7 • F	Wash. State	U. C. L. A. *• U		Texas Tech 20-7 U
ENNSYLVANIA biladelphia		Virginia Tech * F	California U	7-13 *+ U	Washington	Navy	Penn State 13—35 * U	Notre Dame 7—42 * U	Army 0—35 **U	Cornell Nov. 24
ENN STATE tate College, Pa.	1	Boston Univ.	Army	The second secon	27—32 * T Navy	W. Virginia	Pennsylvania 35—13 F	Syracuse 13—0 F	Rutgers 37—14 F	6-20 *+ U Pittsburgh 13-0 F
TTTSBURGH ennsylvania	California * T	Syracuse • F		Navy	472 277 277	201210		Virginia * F	W. Virginia 13-10 * U	Penn State 0-13 U

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PRINCETON New Jersey		Rutgers 10—8 * F	Columbia 54—20 *+ F	Pennsylvania 13-7 + F	Colgate 6-6 * F	Cornell 0-27 + T	Brown 20-21 *+ F	Harvard 9—14 + F	Yale 21—14 *+ U	Dartmouth 49-7 *+
PURDUE Lafayette, Indiana		Pacific Col.	Minnesota + F	Wisconsin 6—20 *+ U	Iowa 14—25 + U	Notre Dame 27—14 * U	Illinois 28—14 + F	Mich. State 27—13 *+ F	Northwest'n *+ F	Indiana 13—7 +
QUANTICO MARINES Virginia	Xavier (O.) Sept. 18 27—0 U	Fort Eustis (Army) *	Parris Island Marines 39—21 *	Fort Belvoir (Army) 6—16	Holy Cross Oct. 16	Le Jeune Marines 26—19	Bolling Air Force Base 14—25 *		Great Lakes (Navy) 61—14	Fort Lee 34-6 Monmouth Nov. 24 40-7 Ft. Jackson Dec. 3
RHODE ISLAND Kingston	Northeastern	Maine 14—7 *+ U	N. Hampshire 7—33 *+ U	Vermont + F	Massachusetts 52-6 + U	Brown 0-35 U	Springfield 13-0 * F		Connecticut 20-0 + U	,
RENSSELAER Troy, New York	10 7		Hamilton 14-32 * U	Kings Point 20-25	Union 6—27 * U	Middlebury 0-54 * U	Worcester 6—26 U	Coast Guard 7—35 * U	Rochester 13—23 U	Buffalo 19—20
RICE Houston, Texas		Alabama *⊕ F	L. S. U. *● F	Clemson *● F	S. M. U. 6—20 + 6 F	Texas 13—7 + F	Kentucky F	Arkansas 15—28 *+ F	Texas A & M 29—19 *+ F	T. C. U. 6-0 + Baylor Nov. 26 20-14 *+
RICHMOND Virginia	Randolph Macon 46-0 *• F	West Virginia + U	V. M. I. 6—19 + F	Citadel Oct. 7 26-0*+• F	Virginia Tech 12-19 + U		Villanova	Davidson *+ 0	George Washingto 7—0 *+ U	Wm. & Mar n Nov. 24 0—2 *+
ROCHESTER New York		Ohio Wesi'n 7—33	Williams 19—0 * F	Union 26—0 F	Vermont 12—19 F	Kings Point 13—7 * F	Oberlin 20—6 * F	Tufts 19—20 U	Rensselaer 38—13 * F	
RUTGERS New Brudswick, N. J.		Princeton 8—10 U		Muhlenberg # F	Brown U	Lehigh 13—33 * U	Delaware * T	Lafayette 7—0 F	Penn State 14—37 * U	Columbia 45—12
ST. VINCENT Latrobe, Pa.	West Liberty Sept. 16 0-33 *• U	Thiel Sept. 23 6—19 • F	Clarion St. 0—26 U	Scranton 9—12 U	King's Oct. 6 6—18 ** U	Waynesburg Oct. 21 7—23 *● U		Indiana St. Nov. 4 7—40 *• U	Carnegie Tech Nov. 11 7—19 * T	
SAN FRANCISCO STATE California		Fresno State Sept. 23 * 6 20-39	Nevada Sept. 30 39—19 & 54—0 *• F	Calif. Aggles Oct. 7 41—7 *• F	Chico State 7—6 F	Humboldt St. Oct. 21 14—7 *● F	San Diego St. 12—10 • F	Redlands	Sacramento 40—0 F	Calif. Poly Nov. 18 0—19 *
SAN JOSE STATE California	Utah State 20—0 ● F	Hawaii * F		Arlzona St. (Tempe) 19—12 * • U	New Mexico 26—14 ● F	Pacific Col. 7—13 ∦● U	Stanford 19—14 U	Calif. Poly * F	Washington State	Fresno St. Nov. 18 28—0
SANTA BARBARA California		Whittier Sept. 23 27—18 * • F	Occidental Sept. 30 0-2 * F	Calif. Poly 6-47 • F	Los Ang. St. 9—6 *● F	Sacramento State	Calif. Aggles (at Los Ang.) 32—0	Pepperdine 13—12 * ● F	Redlands 0-20 p F	Long Beach State
SCRANTON Pennsylvania		Hofstra 6—13 U	Temple 0—20 U	St. Vincent Oct. 9 12-9 F	Upsala Oct. 14 13—6 F		Muhlenberg F	King's Oct. 6 26—13 U		Albright * 1
SOUTH CAROLINA Columbia	Wofford *● F	Wake Forest (Winston- Salem) 20-19+ • T	Navy * U	Furman 27—7 * F		Clemson Oct. 20 13—8 *+ U	Maryland 0—20 + U	No. Carolina (at Norfolk) 19—21 + U	Duke 7—26 *+ U	Virginia Nov. 26 27—0 + 1
SOUTH DAKOTA Vermillion		St. Cloud Teachers *• F	Augustana 33—6 + 6 F	Black Hills Teachers *• F	No. Dak. St. 52—20 + F	Morningside 7—41 *+ U	So. Dak. St. 19—20 + U	Iowa Teachers 34—33 *+ F	North Dakota 21-27 *+ • •	
SOUTH DAKOTA STATE Brookings	St. Thomas	Iowa Tchrs. 41-20 ** → F	North Dakota 34-20 + F	Augustana 68-0 + F	Wichita * • U	No. Dak. St. 50-13 *+ ● F	South Dakota 20-19 *+ F	Morningside 34—39 + ●	La Crosse St.	
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA Los Angeles	Washington State 39—0 *+ F	Oregon Sept. 23 24—14 *+ F	Texas Sept. 30 *• F	Washington	Wisconsin Sept. 14 *• U	California 29—27 + F	Minnesota F	Stanford 21—7 *+ F		U. C. L. A. 9-34 *+ 1 Notre Dame Nov. 26 17-23 * 1
SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY Dallas, Texas		Notre Dame 14—26	Georgia Tech 7—10	Missouri Oct. 7 25—6 ※● F	Rice 20—6 *+ ● U	Kansas 36—18 F	Texas 13—13 *+ U	Texas A & M 6—3 + F	Arkansas 21—14 *+ F	Baylor 21-33 T. C. U. Nov. 26 21-6 + 1
SPRINGFIELD Massachusetts		Northeastern 14—13	Brandeis 7—27 * U	Colby 26—18 U	Amer. Int'l. 6—0 * F		Rhode Island	N. Hampshire	Hofstra * U	
STANFORD California	Pacific College 13—12 * F	Oregon State (at Portland)	Ohio State	Michigan State U	U. C. L. A. 0—72 *+ U	Washington 13—7 + F	San Jose St. 14—19 * F	So. California 7—21 + U	Oregon 18—13 *+ F	California 20—28 *+
SYRACUSE New York		Pittsburgh *• U		Boston Univ.	Army	Maryland * U	Holy Cross 35—20 F	Penn State 0—13	Colgate 31—12 * F	West Virginia
TEMPLE Philadelphia, Pa.		Holy Cross u	Scranton 20—0 * F		Bucknell 0—27 U	Carnegie Tech F	Lehigh T	Muhlenberg * F	Delaware 13—51 * U	Boston Un. 7—19
TENNESSEE Knoxville		Mississippi State 19—7 *+ U	Duke 6—7 *U	Chattanooga 20—14 * F	Alabama (Birmingham) 0—27 + T	Dayton 14—7 * F	No. Carolina 26—20 T	Georgia Tech 7—28 *+ U	Florida 0—14 + U	Kentucky 13-14 + 1 Vanderbilt Nov. 26 0-26 *+1
TEXAS Austin	Texas Tech *● F	Tulane *• F	Southern California	Oklahoma (at Dallas) 7—14	Arkansas (Little Rock) 7—20 + F	Rice 7—13 *+ U	S. M. U. 13-13 + F	Baylor 7—13 *+ T	T. C. U. 35—34 *+ F	Texas A & M Nov. 24 22-13 + 1
TEXAS A & M College Station	U. C. L. A. Sept. 16	L, S. U. (at Dallas)	Houston 7—10 *• F	Nebraska F	T. C. U. 20-21 + U	Baylor *+ U	Arkansas 7—14 + U	S. M. U. 3-6 *+ U	Rice 19—29 + U	Texas Nov. 24 13—22 *+ 1
TEXAS CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY Fort Worth	Kansas 27—6 *● F	Texas Tech T	Arkansas 13—20 + F	Alabama F	Texas A & M 21—20 *+ F	Miami (Fla.)	Baylor 7—12 + U		Texas 34—35 + U	Rice 0-6 *+ 1 S. M. U. Nov. 26 6-21 *+ 1
TEXAS TECH Lubbock	Texas • U	T. C. U. *T	Okla. A & M 13—13 F	Texas West'n 55—28+⊕ F		Houston 61—14 • F	West Texas State 33—7 *+ ● F	Arizona 28—14 *+ F	Tulsa 55—13 F	Pacific Col. 7—20 # HardSimm. Nov. 26 61—19 # +
TEXAS WEST'N El Paso		North Texas State 6-0 *• F	New Mexico	Texas Tech 28-55 *+ ● U	Arizona 41—21+ ● U	Wichita • U	New Mexico A & M 12—7 *+ • F	Hardin- Simmons Nov. 4 20—7 + • F	Arizona St. (Tempe) 27-34 *+ • F	W. Tex St. F 33-13 *+ Trinity (Tex. Nov. 25 14-26
TRINITY Hartford, Conn.		Williams 38—0 T	Bowdoin 28—14 F	Tufts * T	St. Lawrence 34-6 # F		Coast Guard 42—6 F	Amherst 21—12 T	Wesleyan 26—14 * F	
TUFTS Medford, Mass.		Bowdoln 14—7 * F	Wesleyan 26—6 F	Trinity (Conn.) 6-27 T	Colby 28—14 * F	Williams 21—6 * F	Amherst 7—6 * F	Rochester 20—19 * F	Upsala F	

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TULANE New Orleans, La.	V. M. I. * F	Texas • U	Northwest'n * U	Mississippi State 0—14 + U	Mississippi 7—34 *+ U	Georgia + U	Auburn 0—27 *+ U	Alabama (at Mobile) 0-0 + U	Vanderbilt 6-0 *+ T	L. S. U. Nov. 26 13-14 + L
TULSA Oklatioma	Arkansas 0—41 U	Hardin- Simmons 14—21 * ● U	Marquette U		Wyoming 27—28 U	Cincinnati 7—40 *● U	Oklahoma A & M 0-12 + U	Houston 7—20 *+ U	Texas Tech 13—55 * U	Detroit 18—28 *+ U Wichita Nov. 24 19—33 + U
U. C. L. A. Los Angeles, Calif.	Texas A & M Sept. 16 *• F	Maryland 12-7 F	Washington State + F	Oregon St. 61—0 *+ 6 F	Stanford + F	Iowa *• F	California 26—6 *+ F	College of Pacific	Washington 21—20 *+ F	Southern California 34—0 + F
UTAH Salt Lake City	Oregon 7—6 *● F	Idaho (at Bolse) 13—14	Missouri	Brigham- Young 12—7 * + • F	Denver 20—28+ • F	Wyoming 14—7 *+ F		Colorado U. 7—20 U	Colorado A & M 13—14 *+ F	Utah State Nov. 24 19—35 *+ F
UTAH STATE Logan	San Jose St. 0—20 * ● U	Wichita 7—32 • U	Wyoming 12—21 + U	New Mexico 6—0 *+ ● F	Montana 13—20 *+ F	Colorado A & M 20—14 T+ F	Fresno State 13—23 * U	Brigham- Young 45—13 + F	Denver 7—25 + U	Utah Nov. 24 35—19 + U
VANDERBILT Nashville, Tenn		Georgia 14—16 + U	Alabama 14-28 *+ ● U	Mississippi (at Memphis) 7—22 + • U	Chattanooga Oct. 14	Middle Tenn. State	Virginia u	Kentucky 7—19 *+ U	Tulane + T	Florida *+ U Tennessee Nov. 26 26—0 + U
VERMONT Burlington		Union 14—14 * T	Maine 20-23 + U	Rhode Island	Rochester 19—12 * U	Norwich 41—6 * F	Massachusetts 27—25 + U	Middlebury 30-6 F		
VILLANOVA Pennsylvania		Baylor *● U	Kentucky 3—28 * ● U	Boston College U	Indiana u	No. Carolina State *• U	Richmond * F	Florida State 13—52	Detroit 0-20 F	Houston 7—28 Dayton Nov 27
V. M. I. Lexington, Va.	Tulane u	George Washington (at Roanoke) 16—14 + U	Richmond 19—6 *+ U	West Virginia (Bluefield) 6—40 + U	Virginia 0—20 U	Davidson 0—19 *+ U	William & Mary + U	Lehigh F	Citadel 42—0 + F	Va. Tech Nov. 24 (at Roanoke) 9-46 + U
VIRGINIA TECH Blacksburg	Wake Forest 32—0	Pennsylvania U	William & Mary 7-7 + F	Florida State	Richmond 19—12 *+ F	Virginia (at Roanoke) 6—0	George Washington 20—13 *+ F	Clemson (at Roanoke) 18—7	No. Carolina State (Bluefield) 30—21 F	V. M. I. Nov. 24 (at Roanoke) 46—9
VIRGINIA Charlottesville		Clemson * U	George Washington 14—13 * F	Penn State 7—34	V. M. I. 21—0 * F	Virginia Tech	Vanderbilt F	Pittsburgh u	Wake Forest * F	No. Carolina 14—26 T So. Carolina Nov. 26 0—27 # F
WAKE FOREST North Carolina	Virginia Tech 0-32 * F	So, Carolina (WinSalem) 19—20+• T	West Virginia	Maryland 13—13 + U	No. Carolina State 26—0 + ● T	North Carolina 7—14 *+ U	Clemson 29—32 + U	William & Mary 9—13 * F	Virginia + U	Duke 21—28 + U
WASHINGTON St. Louis, Mo.		Miss'ri Mines 58—14 * F	Wabash * F	Drake * F	West'n Res. 33—6 F	West'n Mich.	Wash. &Lee * F	So. Illinois 25—14 T	Butler 25—6 * F	Bradiey 19—21 F
WASHINGTON Seattle	Idaho *+ F	Minnesota U	Oregon (Portland) 7—26 + 6 F	So. Carolina 0-41 *+ U	Baylor 7—34 * U	Stanford 7—13 *+ U	Oregon State 17—7 *+ F	California 6—27 + U	U. C. L. A. 20—21 + U	Washington State 7—26 *+ T
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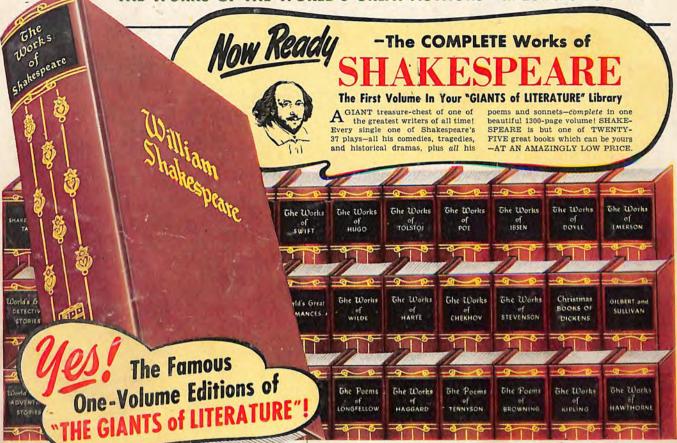
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